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HORRIBLE DETAILS OF EARTHQUAKE IN ITALY ARE BECOMING KNOWN

Eye Witness of Ruined Towns Vividly Describes Appalling Conditions.

FIRE ADDS TO HORRORS

Work of Relief Just Beginning—Attempts Made to Rescue Living.

Two School Girls in Debris Protected by Piano, Without Food Two Days and Still Imprisoned.

Rome, Jan. 15.—William Marconi, who returned here today from Avezzano on board the train with King Victor Emmanuel, said words could not describe the horrors he had witnessed. The town had been wholly levelled, he said, and residents who escaped death were destitute. King Victor Emmanuel told him, said Mr. Marconi, that he had visited the scenes of all earthquake disasters in Italy since he was a child but this surpassed all, including Messino. The King said survivors of Avezzano were only between 2 and 3 per cent of its population while in Messina one-third escaped.

Describing the damage in Avezzano, Mr. Marconi said:

"Avezzano has ceased to exist. In Messina some buildings give one the impression that they are still intact, their facades having survived the shock. Not so with Avezzano. No wall there remains erect. It seems as though the town had been ground to powder by some gigantic machine.

The people of Avezzano, according to Mr. Carconi, have abandoned efforts to take bodies from the wreckage and are trying only to rescue the living who are prisoners in the debris. The catastrophe was of such vast proportions, Mr. Marconi added, that no organization of men could possibly have done anything to give immediate relief. The people were in despair at their powerlessness to render aid to those entombed.

"During the first day of the disaster," Mr. Marconi continued, "the rescuers were so few they could not even attempt to excavate at places from which cries of distress came and they planted poles here and there at such spots hoping to return later with adequate forces of men to release the imprisoned persons. When would-be rescuers did arrive, however, most of the voices were stilled and the poles merely were markers of spots under which lay the dead."

Girls Alive Under Ruins.

Mr. Marconi personally heard coming from under the ruins of the girls' school at Avezzano the voices of two pupils imploring aid. The girls said they were uninjured. They were protected from injury by a piano under which they had fallen and which became wedged in the wreckage and served as a screen from the tumbling walls. Choked by dust and later numbed by cold, they had remained for two days without nourishment and in spite of strenuous efforts made to release them the girls were still prisoners when Mr. Marconi left Avezzano.

Prior to his departure, Mr. Marconi said he endeavored to organize small parties of men to attempt to extinguish fires which had broken out at several points among the debris and which, he declared, undoubtedly had burned to death some pinioned victims. The difficulty of fighting the flames was almost insurmountable because water was almost entirely lacking in the town.

Mr. Marconi left Rome tonight for London.

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DOMINICAN GRAFT IS BEING EXPOSED

Memphis Attorney Throws Light on Matter.

BACKS UP WALKER VICK

Memphis Contractor Approached by New York Lawyer, Connected With Certain Financial Interests, With Road Contracts.

New York, Jan. 15.—James M. Sullivan, American minister of the Dominican Republic, was pictured today, at the inquiry here into his fitness to hold the post, as having been associated with interests that for money considerations would guarantee to obtain profitable contracts from the Dominican government.

E. Bright Wilson, attorney for C. D. Smith, a Memphis, Tenn., contractor testified that his client told him he had been approached with an offer of such a guarantee and had been told that Sullivan could enable him to get road contracts in Santo Domingo that would net 30 per cent. The man who approached his client, he said, was William C. Beers, an attorney said to be associated with the Samuel M. Jarvis interests, who controlled the Banco Nacional at Santo Domingo.

That is the institution, which it previously had been testified, obtained the deposits of Dominican customs funds through Sullivan's influence.

Promised No Investigation

Beers wanted among other things, the witness said $5,000 cash payment as the price of securing the contract and told the contractor his influence at Washington was such that there would be no investigation in the present administration.

"I told Mr. Smith said the witness" that these things could not be done under this administration and that Beers' guarantee was of no value. Smith turned the proposition down".

That Sullivan took to Santo Domingo and placed upon the pay roll a man who he said was his personal physician, but was said to be a masseur for Beers with no better medical qualifications than that of a nurse, was asserted by Walker W. Vick, former receiver general of customs for Santo Domingo. He was corroborated by E. Fred Knauth, a New York dealer in medical supplies, who said that on representations by Beers he had advanced the so-called physician, A. J. Conroy, $1,000 worth of medical instruments.

Vick, who instigated the present investigation, said Sullivan was generally credited with responsibility for the Dominican revolution of 1914 because he upheld the Bordas government against the Legalistas.

Washington, Jan. 15.—President Wilson inaugurated a new custom tonight when he called the cabinet together for the first of a series of Friday night informal discussions of government business. He plans to continue the practice indefinitely. The cabinet was in session for nearly three hours.

INTERVENING SUITS FILED BY PLAYERS

Lee Magee the First to File Petition.

His Petition Raises the Same Questions as Suit Filed by Federal League, But From Players' Standpoint.

Chicago, Jan. 15.—Asking that the scope of the Federal League's suit against organized baseball be widened to include individual Federal players, Lee Magee today petitioned United States district court for leave to file an intervening petition.

The Brooklyn manager adopted the petition of the Federal League in its original bill and prayed for the same relief as asked there. According to his counsel, the Magee petition raised the same questions as the league's suit, but from the players' viewpoint, and asked the court specially to adjudicate the relation which a player holds to organized baseball.

Contracts signed by players in organized baseball were cited and the court was asked to determine whether the agreements and their interpretation amount to violation of laws against enforced servitude, peonage and the right of every citizen to enter into a free contract.

In an affidavit accompanying the petition, Joseph Tinker, said he had been sold three times by organized baseball without being consulted.

PRIVATE YACHT IS SUNK BY EXPLOSION

Three Persons Dead and Several Others Missing.

NEAR ENGLEHARD, N. C.

J. W. Murray, of Burlington; Mrs. J. Porch, of Beaufort, and G. P. Dodson, of Norfolk, Lose Their Lives.

Newbern, N. C., Jan. 15.—Two men and a woman are known to be dead and several other persons are believed to be missing, as the result of the explosion of the gasoline tank of the private yacht Julia, which wrecked the vessel and caused her to sink, off Longshore river, about 20 miles from Englehard, N. C., early today. The only known survivor, a woman, swam ashore and was found in a serious condition.

The dead are:
J. W. Murray, Burlington, N. C.
Mrs. J. W. Porch, Beaufort, N. C.
G. P. Dodson, Norfolk, Va.

The three dead, together with Mrs. Murray, wife of one of the dead men, and several men who made up the crew, are known to have been on the yacht. Mrs. Murray was blown from the yacht when the explosion occurred. She swam ashore, where she was picked up in a serious condition. Whether any of the crew escaped has not been learned, as communication with points near the scene of the accident is difficult.

Relatives of the known dead have gone to the scene and a search for the bodies has been ordered.

Mrs. Murray was taken to Englehard for medical attention. Her physicians refuse to allow her to give details of the accident.

The yacht sailed from Norfolk, Va., Wednesday for Beaufort, N. C., where Mr. Murray was part owner of a hotel. She was 42 feet long, had a carrying capacity of 35 persons and was said to be one of the most palatial boats of her kind along this portion of the coast. She was equipped with gasoline engines and carried about 40 gallons of fuel.

The Julia was purchased by Mr. Murray early in the week from G. P. Dodson. With Mrs. Murray and Mrs. Porch, wife of the manager of a Beaufort hotel, Mr. Murray went to Norfolk to take charge of his purchase. They prevailed upon Mr. Dodson to accompany them on their trip to Beaufort.

PARTIES WERE WELL KNOWN

Mrs. Murray Swam Two Miles to Shore —Fate of Crew Unknown.

(Special Star Telegram.)

Newbern, N. C., Jan. 15.—J. W. Murray, president of the Piedmont Trust Company, of Burlington; Mrs. W. E. Porch, wife of the manager of Ye Olde Colony Inn at Beaufort, and G. P. Dodson, of Norfolk, Va., are known to have been killed or drowned when the gasoline tank of the yacht Julia exploded early this morning near Longshore river, at a point about 20 miles from Englehard, Hyde county, and the vessel sank before any assistance could reach her or its occupants. Mrs. J. W. Murray, who was on board the vessel with her husband, succeeded in swimming to shore two miles distant.

The fate of the crew is problematical, as it is almost impossible to secure any definite information in regard to the catastrophe. This catastrophe is one of the most appalling to occur in the waters of Eastern North Carolina in years.

Mr. Murray, who is one of the owners of Ye Olde Colony Inn at Beaufort, had gone to Norfolk, early in the week, accompanied by his wife and Mrs. Porch, wife of the manager of the inn, to purchase the yacht Julia from G. P. Dodson, of that city. The purchase was made and the party, accompanied by Mr. Dodson, and, it is supposed, one or more members of the crew, started back to Beaufort on board the vessel. The start was made, it is said, on Wednesday afternoon. So far as is known, the trip was uneventful until early this morning when the explosion of the gasoline tanks occurred.

Mrs. Murray, the only survivor, was blown out of the boat by the force of the explosion, but was not injured enough to prevent her swimming and she succeeded in reaching shore and told of the tragedy.

Englehard is located at such a point that to get in communication with it is a hard matter and for that reason the exact particulars could not be learned. The first message telling of the tragedy was received here from Belhaven by Solicitor Charles L. Abernethy, the former owner of the inn, and he at once got in communication with Mr. Porch and informed him of the affair.

The yacht was 42 feet in length and was handsomely fitted in quartered oak. It had sleeping accommodations for eight persons and a carrying capacity of 35 persons. She was equipped with gasoline engines and the tanks supplying these held 30 to 40 gallons of fuel.

Mrs. Murray is being cared for at Englehard and a search is being made to recover, if possible, the bodies of those who lost their lives.

In Water Many Hours.

Washington, N. C., Jan. 15.—Yesterday about noon the gas launch Julia left Beaufort, N. C., on her maiden trip with a party on board composed of Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Murray, of Burlington, N. C., Mrs. W. E. Porch, of Beaufort, N. C., and a Mr Dobson, of Norfolk, Va., sailing on a pleasure and hunting trip. Last night about 12 o'clock the launch caught fire while sailing on waters near Hyde county, N. C., and sunk. Mrs. J. W. Murray, after making a desperate effort for life on the water all night, was rescued this morning by fishermen near Engle-

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CARRANZA WARNED OF CONSEQUENCES

State Department Looks With Disfavor on His Threat.

CONFISCATE OIL WELLS

"Serious Consequences May Follow" Is Word Sent Carranza by Bryan After Conference With Owners and British Ambassador.

Washington, Jan. 15. —The United States government has warned General Venustiano Carranza that "serious consequences may follow" his threatened confiscation of foreign owned oil plants in Tampico. This announcement was made by Secretary Bryan today after a conference with Sir Cecil Spring-Rice, the British ambassador, and representatives of American oil concerns.

Already the Carranza officials have enforced a virtual embargo on the exportation of oil by a big English company.

The British ambassador at Mr. Bryan's suggestion sent to the British consul at Vera Crux an urgent protest for General Carranza as the British fleet obtains much of its fuel from the Tampico fields, the possibility of serious complications over Carranza's attitude is fully realized by the American government.

Mr. Bryan said today that the foreign owned oil companies "feared confiscation of their wells" by Carranza and that today's action has been taken to forestall such action. A decree issued by the Carranza government makes it impossible for some foreign oil companies to operate without the consent of the Carranza authorities and it is said some American concerns have been forced to pay so heavy a tax that they have been compelled to shut down.

The prospect of a battle on the outskirts of Tampico is expected here to develop the situation further.

If Villa forces are victorious, a solution of the problem is confidently expected because of previous assurances by the Villa-Gutierrez officials.

Summary of Situation.

The following summary of the situation in Tampico in a telegram from that point dated late yesterday, was made public by the State Department:

"The line between Monterey and Tampico has been cut and American colonists in isolated districts are sending women to Tampico which place is still anticipating an attack. The food supply is said to be short. Many Americans have been thrown out of work on account of the closing down of the petroleum companies. On account of the recent petroleum decree and a lack of confidence in Constitutionalist money, business is said to be demoralized. It is said that in the Tampico consular district there are at least 12,000 Americans'.

The closing down of oil plants oth-

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DACIA MATTER IS STILL UNSETTLED

Change In Her Destination Under Consideration

LOADED WITH COTTON

Hamburg-American Line Steamer Purchased by American Interests the Subject of Much Diplomatic Correspondence.

London, Jan. 15.—Sir Edward Grey, the British foreign secretary, has received a dispatch from the State Department at Washington asking if there would be any objection to the former Hamburg-American Line steamer Dacia, which now flies the American flag, making the trip from America to Bremen with a cargo of cotton without establishing a precedent as to the sale of German ships to Americans. The foreign office has reached no decision.

It can be said on high authority that several high British officials at present do not look with favor on the proposal, and still feel that the Dacia should not enter the German trade under any conditions. A change of the vessel's destination from Bremen to Rotterdam is not regarded as altering the case materially. Should cotton be shipped in the Dacia for the German trade it seems likely the cargo would be bought by Great Britain if the Dacia were held for a prize court on the ground that her sale was not bona fide.

The Associated Press has obtained a list of most of the ships detained since the beginning of the war by France or Great Britain while carrying American goods. It contains 38 ships. Four were detained in August, and the disposition of ships and cargoes has not been published.

In October 17 vessels were detained, and six of them have been allowed to proceed. Copper cargoes from three of the steamers were requisitioned. Eight vessels were detained in November, of these only four have been allowed to proceed.

In December seven vessels were detained and two of them were permitted to proceed. The dispositions of the other four have not been made public.

NEW CHILD LABOR BILL INTRODUCED

Dr. E. A. Alderman Addresses the General Assembly.

TURNPIKE TO BE SOLD

In Which State Has $68,000 in Stock for Convict Labor—Senate Postpones Action on Women Notary Bill to Saturday.

(Special Star Telegram.)

Raleigh, N. C., Jan. 15.—The most important bill offered in the Legislature today was that by Senator Weaver to regulate and restrict the employment of children. It prohibits working children under 14 years old in factories, shops or places of amusement, and no child under 14 can be kept at any sort of work during school periods, no child under 16 can do any factory or shop or messenger service on Sunday, or more than 48 hours per week, and no work at night.

The State Board of Health can exclude children under 16 from any work deemed dangerous to life, health or morals. Those employing children must keep, accessible to inspectors, employment certificates by the county superintendent of schools. County Superintendents and employers of children under 16 must report monthly to the Commissioner of Labor and Printing, who is empowered to have inspections of places employing children and employ for the purpose one woman and one man as inspectors at $100 per month and traveling expenses, $6,000 being appropriated.

Dr. Edwin A. Alderman, president of the University of Virginia, in his address before the General Assembly this afternoon, declared that six heavy duties rest upon North Carolina. She has the African race with her and must treat the negro justly whilst saving her own civilization: all the people must be educated, white and black; she must reorganize agriculture as the basis of her industry, and develop social service; learn the spirit of industrial democracy and cultivate more acute and discriminating patriotism.

He declared the State is already doing nobly in all these. Indeed, he could find no state that has done more nobly with its hard tasks and no state has a finer grasp on the future, he declared.

The Miller bill empowering the Governor to appoint women as notaries public engaged the Senate for some time and developed opposition by Senator Ward, on the ground that it is unconstitutional. Finally it was made a special order for Saturday morning, by which time Governor Craig will have been interviewed as to his obligating himself to appoint only one woman under the act until a test can be carried to the Supreme court. Only in this way can a multitude of illegal instruments be averted in the event the courts hold that the act is unconstitutional.

The Senate passed the Weaver joint resolution to authorize either a marble or bronze statue of Vance at the National Capitol.

The House passed a joint resolution for a legislative committee to investigate the status of the Wilkesboro-Jefferson Turnpike, in which the State owns $68,810 of stock for convict labor and which is advertised to be sold under judgment, for $7,000 money borrowed, January 18. Representatives Page, Bowie and Battle are the House members of the committee.

Important Hearings Next Week.

The joint committee on penal institutions is to give a special hearing on the McRae and other bills for the establishment of a home of refuge and reformatory for women January 1.

The same joint committee will on January 22 give a special hearing on the three bills by Representative Page, reformatory for women January 21, working of State convicts on railroads in exchange for stock.

Secretary Bryan today accepted the invitation to address the Legislature January 30.

The Senate Proceedings.

Lieutenant Governor Daughtridge convened the Senate this morning at 11 o'clock.

New bills were introduced as follows:

McMichael—Prevent public service corporations from giving franks or free service of any kind.

Ward—Amend the law as to the salaries of clerks and stenographers.

Weaver—Restrict the employment of children.

Thompson, of Iredell — Exempt churches and other institutions of similar character from the operation of the inheritance tax. Make it unlawful to give intoxicating drinks to minors.

McRacken—Regulate elections in Columbus county on the question of stock law or no stock law.

Johnson—Appoint F. L. Patter a justice of the peace in Kenansville township, Duplin county.

Cooper—Increase the number of members of the board of education of Wilmington from three to eight.

Women Notaries Public.

Bills on readings:

The bill to authorize women to hold the office of notary public on an equality with men was read and Senator Ward, who said he would like to see all the women hold such an office, objected to the bill on the ground that it is clearly unconstitutional and to pass it would be to do a vain thing. Senator McRae said the matter could be put up to the Supreme Court so that court could decide once for all. He mentioned the act to allow women to serve on school boards as in line with this.

Willing to support the bill if the Governor would agree not to appoint women notaries generally until the Supreme court has passed on the constitutionality of the act as only in this way could a mass of invalid legal

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NEW RUSSIAN MOVEMENT MAY HAVE FAR REACHING RESULTS ANOTHER ARMY TAKES FIELD

NATIONAL DEFENSE FATALLY LACKING

Senator Lodge Declares for Permanent Commission.

DEFECTS POINTED OUT

Senator Declares That Not Only the Regular Army But the Militia is Highly Defective—Canal Unprotected.

Washington, Jan. 15.—In urging upon the Senate the need for a commission to report on military preparedness or for a permanent council of national defense ,Senator Lodge today declared that the national defense of the country "is not only imperfect and unbalanced, but that it has grave and in some instances fatal deficiencies." He designated what he termed many of the defects and said they were "almost wholly due to Congress."

An adequate national defense, the Senator said, could be obtained without additional expenditure. "Cut off our needless army posts, navy yards and stations," he advised the Senate. "Lay aside for a few years appropriations for public buildings and river and harbor improvements where they are not needed. Drop all the expenditures which are designed for spots where votes are lying thickest, and you will have money enough to provide for a sufficient army and an adequate navy without adding to the burden of taxation."

He warned Congress that the ocean barrier that defended the country in 1776 and in 1812 had been destroyed by steam and electricity. Unarmed, but ready, undefeated the nation stands an invitation to aggression and attack, he said.

Senator Lodge asserted that not only the regular army, but the militia was highly defective, adding "that the Panama canal was miserably and most inadequately protected" against being blown up and blocked for months by agents or spies of a hostile nation.

Sixteen Men on Reserve.

He expressed regret that only 16 men are on the reserve list, subject to be called back to the colors to fill up the gaps which war would make in the regular army.

Senator Lodge declared the army was without sufficient artillery and artillery ammunition, and said available testimony showed that the guns in the fortifications were of shorter range than those carried by foreign warships of the latest designs.

Senator Lodge stated that there was apparently a sufficient number of mines for harbor defense, but that there was a shortage of cable and mine planters.

As to the navy, Senator Lodge said more destroyers were needed, but the most obvious weakness was in submarines. The worst deficiency, he continued, was in scout cruisers, the United States having only three against 74 in England, 41 in Germany and 13 in Japan.

"We have, therefore, three scout cruisers," declared the senator, "to give warning of the approach of a hostile fleet for 6,000 miles of coast on the Atlantic and Pacific. If they were

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FOUR NEGROES TAKEN FROM JAIL AND HUNG

Georgia Lynching Bee Follows Attack on Officer.

Monticello Chief of Police Badly Beaten Up by Negroes When He Attempts Arrest—Later Taken by Sheriff; Then Mob.

Monticello, Ga., Jan. 15.—Four negroes, two women and two men, were taken from the county jail here last night by a mob of about 200 masked men, marched to a tall pine tree in the center of a negro settlement on the outskirts of Monticello, hanged one by one, and then riddled with bullets. The bodies were found early today hanging to the tree.

The negroes were Daniel Barber, his two married daughters, Eula Charles and Ella Charles, and his son Jesse.

An attack on Chief of Police Williams, when he attempted to arrest the negroes Wednesday night on the charge of selling intoxicants illegally, led to the killings. The officer was badly clubbed and claimbed Barber's wife, daughters and son beat him while Barber himself threatened to shoot him. The negro's wife was shot and badly wounded during the struggle.

Sheriff Exell was notified of the trouble and hurried to the scene forcing the negroes to submit to arrest. Feeling aroused by the incident resulted in the mob forcing its way into the jail last night. The sheriff was overpowered, the cell keys taken from his clothing and the negroes carried away.

Monticello was quiet tonight.

Cavalry Backed by Force of a Million Men Advancing Into East Prussia.

DRIVE GERMANS BACK

Recent German Successes Continue Outstanding Feature in West.

Russians Continue to Beat Back Turks in the Caucasus But Latter Claim Many Prisoners Made.

London, Jan. 16.—Official reports from the Russian general staff disclose a new Russian movement which may have far reaching results.

Starting on their new year, the Russian cavalry commenced a forward movement in Northern Poland, on the right bank of the lower Vistula river and have reached the Skrawa river, 40 miles east of the German fortress of Thorn, East Prussia, driving before them a small force of German cavalry and infantry.

It is believed that Grand Duke Nicholas, the Russian commander-in-chief, intends to use in this region an entirely new army consisting, according to Petrograd dispatches, of from 800,000 to 1,000,000 men operating in conjunction with an army advancing in East Prussia. This army would place the German troops at Mlawa in a vise and threaten the rear of the Germans in front of Warsaw. The latter still are attacking the Russian line, and according to a Berlin report, have taken a Russian vantage point northeast of the Rawka river.

Along the rest of the Eastern front, nothing of importance has happened.

In the West the German success in regaining in a few days from the French the ground near Soissons which soldiers of General Joffre, commander-in-chief of the French forces, spent a fortnight in capturing, remains the outstanding feature, although it has been somewhat offset by the reported British success near La-Bassee, and the capture by Zouaves of German trenches in the region of Arras. There have been attacks and counter-attacks at other points, but generally it has been the artillery which has been kept busy.

The Russians continue to harry the Turks, who made a stand on the border of Trans-Caucasia after their recent defeat and claim to be capturing many more prisoners. The Russians also are making new dispositions in the province of Azerbaijan, Persia, which the Turks have promised to evacuate as soon as the Russians leave the province and the Persian's heir presumptive reaches Tabriz. The governorship of the Province of Azerbaijan is an appanage of the heir presumptive.

RUSSIAN OFFICIAL REPORT

Several Attacks of Germans Along Line Repulsed—Cavalry Advances

Petrograd, Jan. 15 .—The following communication from the General Staff of the Russian commander-in-chief was issued tonight:

"On the eve of the first day of the Russian new year and on the following day (January 14th, new style calendar) a comparative calm prevailed on all the fronts. The Germans made some unimportants attacks on our advanced columns in the region of Loetzen (East Prussia.) They failed

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SENATE CROWDED WITH MANY BILLS

Little Chance for Passage of Legislative Programme.

SHIP PURCHASE BILL

Administration Measure for Purchase of Ships and Appropriation Bills Are Only Ones That Have Possible Chance.

Washington, Jan. 13.—Democratic Senate leaders, beset by every parliamentary obstacle that minority senators can resort to, practically have abandoned hope of accomplishing any general legislation in the few remaining weeks of the Sixty-third Congress except appropriation bills and the government ship purchase measure.

Even the ship purchase bill is in danger of failure, in the opinion of some senators. The press of appropriation bills, coupled with the concerted plans of Republican leaders to fight the ship bill, is operating to keep the latter from reaching a vote.

It became known today that some Democratic senators had told the President the conservation and Philippine independence measures, urged in his annual message, could not be passed at this session. They also made known to him their apprehensions regarding the ship purchase bill.

The Senate spent today in consideration of the District of Columbia appropriation bill, the seventh day that has been devoted to it, while all the great supply measures, including the naval and military bills, remain to be disposed of. Both of the latter are certain to encounter opposition. Prolonged debate also is certain on the rivers and harbors appropriation bill.

The situation has revived talk of an extra session.

Although Democratic leaders are opposed to it, it is declared it may be considered later if the shipping bill fails.

One source of hope to Democrats has been that business might be expedited in night sessions, but three efforts to hold night sessions have been fruitless owing to failure to muster a quorum.

SHIPPING BILL IN DANGER

Situation So Serious as to Call for Caucus of Senate Democrats.

(Special Star Telegram.)

Washington, D. C., Jan. 15.—The President's shipping bill is in grave danger of being defeated. The situation is so serious, in fact, that a caucus of Senate Democrats has been called for tomorrow afternoon to devise ways and means of putting the measure over before March 4.

Senator Simmons, who is one of those interested in seeing the bill passed, said today that he is in favor of holding day and night sessions until a vote is had. This idea will be put up to the caucus and probably will be adopted. The Senator would put the shipping bill ahead of all other legislation and hammer at it until a vote is reached.

Representative Godwin has recommended N. A. Brown to be postmaster at Red Springs. P. R. A.

NATIONAL DEFENSE FATALLY LACKING

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concentrated on the Atlantic coast they would have to cover 1,000 miles a day to patrol the coast."

The European war, he said, had demonstrated the value of air craft, yet the army had only 13 aeroplanes and no Zeppelins or dirigible airships and no armored aeroplanes and no guns suitable for aeroplanes. The navy has 12 aeroplanes and no Zeppelins or dirigibles.

Senator Lodge stated that he had been informed that the appropriation for naval air craft had not been expended, the delaying being due, among other things, to failure of the American manufacturers to furnish aeroplanes. He asserted the explanations given were no defense of the conditions and said that it seemed to him idle to suppose that good aeroplanes could not be built in this country.

HORRIBLE DETILS OF EARTHQUAKE IN ITALY BECOMING KNOWN

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DISTRESSING CONDITIONS

Anxious Relatives Pour Into Avezano by the Thousands.

Avezanno, Italy (via Rome,) Jan 15.—Anxious relatives who poured into Avezzano today from all parts of Italy were stunned when confronted the mounds of masonry which represented all that is left of the town. Many realized at once the utter uselessness of searching for the missing, but others, more hopeful, climbed aimlessly over the debris for hours, trusting to find some landmark which would aid them in tracing loved ones.

Many were successful in locating the wrecked homes of relatives or friends. Frantic, many threw themselves upon the ruins and called in vain upon their loved ones to answer them. They appealed for help in attempting to remove the stones, unmindful of their lacerated hands, cut by the jagged stones and broken glass. Frequently searchers collapsed and it was necessary to remove them to improvised hospitals for treatment.

Seldom did a visitor to the city find a relative or friend alive. These rare reunions were marked by demonstrations of joy. Women and men threw themselves into each others' arms, laughing hysterically or weeping.

Physicians engaged in rescue work here formed and established two field hospitals and arranged for medical and surgical work day and night.

Rescue Work Difficult.

The work of rescue is more difficult than it was at Messina, where the houses for the most part were built from large stone blocks which in falling lodged in such a way as to protect those imprisoned. The houses of Avezzano are of less stable construction and crumbled almost into dust.

One detachment of firemen from Rome worked in the ruins for 20 hours at a stretch.

COOPER EXPLAINS HIS POSITION AS TO BONDS

People Must Vote on All Except Those for Debts.

Will Not Support Bill for Other Purposes—Introduces Bill to Increase Members of Board of Education to Eight.

(Special Star Correspondence.)

Raleigh, N. C., Jan. 15.—Senator W. B. Cooper said this morning that a good many Wilmingtonians seem to misunderstand his attitude with reference to bond issues for the city and county, and that his real position is that he is perfectly willing to pass an act to authorize a bond issue for either the city or the county to take care of the floating indebtedness, the city floating debt being now about $100,000, without any proviso for any bond election, but that he will not support a measure for bond issues for permanent improvements or for purposes other than caring for the floating debts without the reference to the people, but have a say at the polls on the question of ratifying the proposed issues.

He considers it perfectly good business to bond the floating debts at 5 per cent. and cut off the payment of 6 per cent. to the banks and to do this without the reference to the pople, but that all other issues should go to the people for ratification.

Larger Board of Education.

Senator Cooper introduced in the Senate this morning a bill to increase the membership of the Board of Education of New Hanover from three to eight members. He says his principal reason for this is that he desires to have enough members for one member of the board to devote his special attention to each of the eight public school divisions or buildings. The bill names the personnel of the proposed board as follows: S. Solomon,, J. G. Gieschen, J. O. Carr, Sam Bear, B. C. Moore, W. E. Perdew, J. J. Loughlin, W. M. Cumming. The full text of the bill follows:

Text of the Bill.

"Section 1. That the Board of Education of New Hanover county shall be composed of eight members. The term of office of said Board of Education shall begin on the first Monday in July, in the year one thousand nine hundred and fifteen, and the members shall serve, two members for two, four, six and eight years respectively, and until their successors are duly appointed and qualified. At each succeeding regular term of the General Assembly it shall be the duty of said body to appoint two men of New Hanover county of good business qualifications and known to be in favor of public education, who shall serve eight years, and until their successors are duly appointed and qualified. In the case of a vacancy in the County Board of Education of New Hanover county by death, resignation or otherwise, it shall be filled by the remaining members of said Board, until the next meeting of the General Assembly which shall appoint a successor to fill the unexpired term; but if such vacancy shall remain unfilled for 60 days after it occurs, it shall be filled by the State Superintendent of Public Instruction.

"Sec. 2. After said Board has duly qualified, it shall by a majority vote of its members, assign the supervision of one of the public schools in the city of Wilmington, N. C., to each of its members. The members so assigned shall be charged with the care and supervision of the school so allotted; and the Board shall not appoint or elect school committeemen for any such school, but the member of the Board of Education who is allotted to any of said City schools shall be invested with all the powers in reference thereto as a district or township school committee; provided that nothing herein contained is intended to deprive the entire Board of Education of New Hanover county of any of its authority or powers over all the schools in the said county.

"Sec. 3. That the following named persons are hereby appointed members of the Board of Education of New Hanover county for the term of years set opposite their respective names, and they are to serve until their successors are duly appointed and qualified:

"B. Solomon, for two years; J. G. Gieschen, for two years; J. O. Carr, for four years; Sam Bear, for four years; B. C. Moore, for six years; W. E. Perdew, for six years; J. J. Loughlin, for eight years; W. M. Cumming, for eight years.

"Sec. 4. That this act shall apply to New Hanover county only.

"Sec. 5. That all laws and clauses of laws as far as they are in conflict with the provisions of this act are hereby repealed.

"Sec. 6. That this act shall be in force from and after its ratification."

PRIVATE YACHT IS SUNK BY EXPLOSION.

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hard and is the only one of the party saved.

Mrs. Murray is a sister of C. Brown Cox, of Durham. Mr. Cox and Mr. W. E. Porch, of Beaufort, arrived in Washington on a Norfolk-Southern train at 2:25 p. m. and left on a chartered boat for Englehard to interview Mrs. Murray, the only survivor of the party.

NEW RUSSIAN MOVEMENT MAY HAVE FAR REACHING RESULTS

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and retreated towards their position after having suffered heavy losses.

"On the right bank of the lower Vistula river on January 14th we continued pressing the German cavalry, which was supported by some small bodies of ingantry. The German troops which we had driven from Sierpec (in Russian Poland 20 miles south of the West Prussian frontier) occupied the fords of the Skrawa river, but were unable tohold them. Under our pressure they continued falling back northward.

"On the left bank of the Vistula the Germans made their customary attacks against some sections of our front, especially against our line from Borjimow to Rawa. They failed everywhere".

Consists of Seven Words

Paris, Jan. 15.—The following official communication was issued:

"There is nothing of importance to report."

BEAUFORT TO NORFOLK INLET APPROPRIATION

Expenditure of $600,000 Approved by House.

Stretch of Island Waterway the Most Important Link on Atlantic Seaboard—Protects From Capes Hatteras and Lookout

Washington, Jan. 15.—A $600,000 appropriation for the inland waterway from Norfolk to Beaufort inlet, North Carolina, $1,500,000 for continuing improvements on the Delaware river from Philadelphia to the sea, and $1,500,000 for the Hudson river, to connect with the new state barge canal, were among the important projects in the River and Harbor bill approved today and tonight by the House.

Numerous other items were agreed to and many projects were turned down.

Advocates of the measure pointed out that it provides only for necessary work to carry on existing projects.

In the fight over the Norfolk-to-Beaufort inland waterway, Representative Small, of North Carolina, said it was the most important link in the chain of waterways along the Atlantic seaboard, primarily because it lies inside of Capes Hatteras and Lookout the two most dangerous points on the Atlantic seaboard. He said that when completed the waterway will attrack a large through commerce between the ports south of Hatteras and those to the north. He said that because of Cape Hatteras the coastwise commerce between the north and south now is negligible.

Mr. Small explained that the project provides for a waterway 12 feet in depth at mean-low water, at an estimated ultimate cost of $5,400,000.

Other appropriations approved include:

James river, Virginia, $100,000; Pamlico river, North Carolina, $35,000; New river and Watersways to Beaufort, N. C., $37,300; Cape Fear river above Wilmington, N. C., $173,000; Cape Fear river below Wilmington, $205,000; Winyah Bay, South Carolina, $50,000; Waccamaw river, North Carolina, and South Carolina, $55,000.

NEW CHILD LABOR BILL INTRODUCED.

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instruments throughout the State be averted n the vent women were appointed generally and then in process of the test case it were found that the women could not serve in such an office under the constitution. The bill was finally made a special order for Saturday. In the meantime the author of the bill. Senator Miller, will confer with Governor Craig as to the possibility of merely appointing one woman notary under the act for a test case and then waiting until the courts pass on the constitutionality of the act.

Passed Third Reading.

Bills pased final reading as follows:

Amend the law relative to Recorder's court in Chowan county. Amend the joint resolution providing for the placing of the statue of Governor Vance in Statuary Hall, Washington, This is the resolution by Senator Weaver that provides that the committee authorizec to select and set up the statue shall have the power to set up either a marble or a bronze statue instead of limiting it to a marble statue as the original act does.

Relating to agricultural societies. This is a bill making an appropriation of $50 to each county to aid in the holding of county fairs.

The Senate at noon went in a body to the Representatives Hall to hear the address by Dr. E. A. Alderman, preliminary adjournment beink tagen to 11 o'clock Satureay morning.

During a few minutes of reassembled session right after the joint session the Senate disposed of some additional business, passing the following bills on final reading:

Allow Anson county commissioners to spend road money. Repeal an act relative to allowing Lincoln county to pay indebtedness.

Relating to the graded schools in Elizabeth City.

The bill to put the mother on equal footing with the father in the distribution of the personal property of a deceased child came up for passage but went over until Tuesday as a special order for noon.

Adjournment of the Senate was to 11 o'clock Saturday.

Dr. Alderman's Address.

Dr. Alderman was introduced by Lieutenant Governor Daughtridge. The former president of the University of North Carolina confessed himself too happy to speak long, besides, he declared, "I am too closely related to some tyrants, male and female, and mostly female, to talk long."

He looked over the house and saw many former acquaintances. "This is not an unfamillar spot to me," he said. "I haunted it many years. Some of the older veterans are here and some of the younger whose faces have been chiseled with kindly thought. I remember," he continued, looking into galleries, "sitting up there and hearing myself somewhat vividly described as a 'lobbyist.' 'Well, we were lobbyists, but our clients were the boys and girls of North Carolina," he declared, referring to Charles D. McIver as "a fellow lobbyist."

North Carolina, the Democrat.

He could not find a state which has done more nobly with its hard tasks. He quoted Artemus Ward on George Washington, "G. Washington never slopped over," the eulogy went. Neither did North Carolina. The speaker declared that he had seen no state, not even a Middle Western state, which has a finer grasp upon the future than North Carolina.

Taking Pasteur's definition of a democracy, he said that no State has demeaned herself better. Six heavy duties lay upon North Carolina. She had the African with her and must treat him justly whilst saving her own civilization. She must educate all the people, white and black. She must recognize agriculture as the basis for North Carolina. She must learn the spirit of industrial democracy. She must develop the side of social service. She must cultivate an acuter, more discriminating patriotism. These all she had before her, he said. She had done nobly in all.

The Higher Patriotism.

"When I went away not a monument to a State's son had been erected," he said. "But now there is a complaint of too many. (Laughter). Our people in New York were telling of Captain Duckworth who said he had 19 sons and all voted the Democratic ticket. (Laughter), whereupon a Mississippi man said 'that's nothing. I have a brother down in Mississippi who voted 23 times all by himself.'" (Laughter).

Referring to the great work done by State Superintendent Joyner, Dr. Alderman said: "I believe he has set a new standard throughout the South." And speaking of the work of McIver and Aycock, he said their deaths had made the nation grieve.

Speaking by the Ledger.

"If I might speak by the ledger," he said, "I would say that you must spend three times in future what you are now spending. I should like to see you begin with this session. There is a canny reason for that. I know Virginia will not let you get ahead of her. (Laughter). It is hard for a schoolmaster to refrain from pointing out to states their duty as he points to the student, but my mood is filial rather than didactic."

He spoke handsomely of President Graham and Ex-President Venable, declaring that no university has done more on its means than the State's.

A brief reception followed in which the senators and representatives were introduced to the educator. Many old students were in the House.

The House Proceedings.

Speaker Wooten convened the House at 11 o'clock. He immediately laid before the House the matter of the embarrassed condition of the Wilkesboro-Jefferson Turnpike, which is advertised to be sold under judgment for $7,000 borrowed money January 18th, explaining that the State holds $63,810 stock in the road for convict labor. There was submitted a letter to Governor Craig from Alexander Webb and George W. Montcastle, of the State Board of Internal Improvements, as to the conditions. The speaker on authority of a joint resolution named Representatives Page, Battle and Bowie as members on the part of the House, of a joint committee to investigate and report as to how best to conserve the interests of the State.

Felicitations from the General Assembly of Virginia on the simultaneous sessions of the two bodies were read and a committee consisting of Representatives Roberts, Doughton and Mason was named to frame a reply.

There was read an amusing petition for the repeal of the Sampson county stock law, and it was referred to the proper committee.

New Bills Introduced.

New bills were introduced as follows:

Benton—Amend chapter 173, laws of 1913, as to compulsory school attendance.

Currie—Authorize the commissioners of Cumberland county to issue bonds.

Currie—Authorize the commissioners of Cumberland county to arrange for one member of the board to devote his entire time to the affairs of the county. Authorize a vote by the city of Fayetteville on a bond issue to extend water and sewerage.

Macon—Amend the public health laws of the State.

Thomas—Repeal the act creating a recorder's court in Anson county.

Thomas—Amend the act as to descents.

Leonard—Fix salaries of Davidson county officers.

Bennett—For the relief of ex-Sheriff McKenzie of Montgomery county.

King—Regulate the compensation of the Nash county clerk of court.

Smith, of Cleveland—Appoint justices of the peace in Cleveland county.

Jones—Repeal a local law as to a bridge in Jackson county.

Dean—Repeal a law relating to the school laws in Macon county.

Freeman, of Richmond—Place W. R. Covington on the Confederate pension list.

Brockett—Raise the age of consent from 14 to 16 years.

Winborne—Provide for the election of tax collector in Hertford county by the people.

Hewett—Prevent the destruction of oysters in Brunswick county.

Hutchison—Amend the law for the conservation of the lives of goats and calves.

Carr—Increase fourth class pensions from $32 to $38.

The Joint Session.

Here the adjournment temporarily for the joint session at which Dr. E. A. Alderman spoke, followed and the business of introducing and passing upon bills was interrupted.

At the conclusion of the address of Dr. Alderman, further work was taken up.

Passed Final Reading.

The following bills passed third reading:

The act extending the corporate limits of Bushnell.

Authorizing the town of Spencer to issue school bonds.

Making the landlord and tenant act apply to Yadkin county. This act was introduced by Representative Williams of Yadkin. It provides that where a tenant abandons a crop after supplies have been advanced to him he shall be guilty of a misdemeanor.

Consolidate Bills.

Representative Vann asked to introduce a resolution out of order in the hope of expediting bills bearing on the same subject, as for instance, the State-wide primary bill and constitutional amendments. He set the limit for two weeks when all bills bearing on the same measure shall be worked out by a committee. It passed immediately.

Representative Carawan presented a resolution providing for an address before a joint session of the General Assembly by Secretary Daniels and Rev. R. L. Davis. Representative Bowie declared his judgment that enough such resolutions as that had been presented outside committees and this ought to go before one. And it went.

House Committees Named.

Speaker Wooten, just before the adjournment of the House to 11 o'clock tomorrow, announced the following additional standing committees:

School for Feeble Minded—Tucker, chairman; Carr, Mintz, Mewborne, Douglass, Darden, Ebbs, Galloway, Collins, Noland, Bell, Faircloth, Kent, and Hoover.

Revision of Laws—Small, chairman; Roberts, of Rockingham; Grier, Clark, Williams, of Cabarrus; Witherspoon, Thomas, Vann, Brockett, Bowie, Vernon, and Smith, of Wake.

Trustees of the University of North Carolina—Stacy, chairman; Small, Allen, Seawell, Macon, Page, Cameron, Pegram, Winborne, Faircloth, Battle, and Hanes.

Public Buildings and Grounds—Davis, chairman; Bowman, Comeron, Carr, Capehart, Macon, Killian, of Clay; Gibbs, Faircloth, Roberts, of Buncombe.

Library—Kittrell, chairman; Long, of Halifax; Conly, Hall, Norman, Davis, Stacy, Noland, Phillips, Hendrix, Clark, Shepherd.

Justices of the Peace—Nettles, chairman; Bynum, Carroll, Brown, Cherry, Blue, McKay, Walden, Winslow, Kittrell, Smith, of Watauga, and Macon.

CARRANZA WARNED OF CONSEQUENCES.

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cials have pointed out, not only will affect the supply of fuel to foreign countries, but to Texas where much of the product is used.

State Department dispatches from Monterey dated yesterday says some of the Carranza troops have now returned to Monterey, the Villa troops having failed to enter the city. A telegram from Eagle Pass said authentic reports had been received there from La Vegas saying a part of the garrison had atempted to revolt in favor of Villa but was subdued and that ten were executed.

ASHEVILLE FOR COMMISSION FORM OF GOVERNMENT

Huge Mass Meeting Adopts Plan Without a Dissenting Vote

Asheville, N. C., Jan. 15.—One of the largest mass meetings in the history of this city tonight endorsed the commission plan of municipal government for Asheville without a dissenting voice. A resolution was adopted asking the senator and representatives at the State Legislature to pass a bill permitting the citizenship to vote on the question not later than March 15th next.

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15 sacks Seed Wheat.
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GUTIERREZ IS PLEASED

Utterances of President Wilson at Indianapolis Regarding Mexico are Appreciated by Head of Mexican Government

Washington, Jan. 15.—Eduardo Iturbide, former governor of the Federal district of Mexico, today personally thanked Secretary Bryan for the efforts of the United States government in assisting him to leave Mexico.

Mr. Bryan later issued a statement explaining circumstances of Iturbide's departure. It referred to the statement issued by General Palafox, explaining what had been construed as a charge by him that John R. Silliman and Leon Canova had accepted bribes to aid Iturbide to escape, and said:

"The department is informed that on the morning of January 13 President Gutierrez gave Mr. Silliman a personally signed statement bearing on these bribery charges. In this statement the President made complimentary references to Mr. Silliman's life and services in Mexico and expressed the belief that there was no truth in these charges of bribery.

"The department understands that both Mr. Silliman and Mr. Canova are satisfied with the explanation contained in the statement signed by General Palafox.

"There is no mystery at all about the Iturbide case. When the State Department learned from the Brazilian minister that Iturbide's life was in danger, he was asked to make urgent representations in behalf of Iturbide, explaining to the government that Iturbide had rendered important and patriotic services at the time of transfer of authority from the Huerta regime to the Constitutionalists.

Departure Arranged

"President Gutierrez arranged with the Brazilian minister for the departure of Iturbide and Mr. Canova was asked to accompany him. It was intended that a representative of President Gutierrez should also accompany him, but by some misunderstanding the representative of the government did not go.

"After the departure of Iturbide and Canova, complaint was made by some of the generals, and then this charge of bribery was published which is explained now that it was based upon the assumption that no other motive would explain what was done. We asked that either proof be furnished us, or that the charges be withdrawn.

"This statement is made by the department in order that the public may know that the action taken by Mr. Silliman and Mr. Canova in assisting Iturbide was taken at the request of the Brazilian minister and in pursuance of the representations made to him by this government."

GUTIERREZ IS PLEASED

With President Wilson's References to Mexico in Recent Speech

Washington, Jan, 15.—Provisional President Eulalio Gutierrez, of Mexico City, has publicly expressed his approval of that portion of President Wilson's Indianapolis speech referring to Mexican affairs. The text of an autograph letter by Gutierrez which appeared in the Mexico City press was given out today by the State Department as follows:

"The Mexican people and my government have received with satisfaction the opinion contained in the speech of President Wilson at Indianapolis. These opinions serve as a further proof of the purity of his views. President Wilson's profound sympathy for our people has always been appreciated by us. In all the incidents that have arisen subsequent to his taking charge of the administration this sympathy has been invariably shown.

"We have always had a feeling of gratefulness to this great American statesman for the just attitude assumed by him in not doing anything to hinder the struggles of a people in the efforts made by them to sunder the bonds of fanaticism and tyranny. A master's seat for the table of the world has been made of the great capital by Mr. Wilson. We trust that as regards us the great majority of American people think and feel the same as their President and there is awaited by us an opportunity to demonstrate to the American people that we shall be able to reciprocate in a loyal manner the friendship they have given us, proofs of".

ACTION OF STATE MEDICAL SOCIETY PROVING EFFECTIVE

Physicians Have Abont Stopped Prescribing Whiskey, Says Dr. Parrott

(Special Star Correspondence)

Knston, N. C., Jan. 15.—When asked about the atttude of the physicians of the State toward a bill prohibiting the sale of liquor in North Carolina for medical purposes, Dr. J. M. Parrott, former president of the State Medical Society, who Wednesday addressed the Anti-Saloonists' meeting in Raleigh, yesterday said he believed the great majority of the practitioners would favor the complete prohibition. They have already generally stopped prescribing whiskey on account of the influence of the Medical Society's action last year, when it went on record as opposed to the use of alcohol, Dr. Parrott stated.

Regardless of what legislation is enacted, the doctors have already decided the question unfavorably to liquor and in his opinion they will concur in a straight forward, clean-sweeping bill, is the noted physician's opinion. He believes the Anti-Saloon League will have little difficulty in having passed such legislation as it may recommend in the General Assembly.

Albany, N. Y., Jan. 14.—The anti-saloon league's bill for local option by election districts was introduced in the legislature today.

Wilson, Jan. 15.—Local sanitary officers have control of all cases of smallpox in town and all danger of a spread of the disease seems to have passed.

Information regarding our 1915 Christmas Savings Club cheerfully given by an officer of this bank. American National Bank.—Advertisement. tf

HARDING COMES FOR CONFERENCE

Southern Reserve Banks—Examine Cotton Situation.

TO REPORT ON ACREAGE

Acting as Central Committee for the Cotton Loan Fund Reserve Board Decided Not to Extend Time for Applications.

Washington, Jan. 18.—The Federal Reserve Board, acting as the central committee of the $135,000,000 cotton loan fund, decided tonight not to comply with requests recently received to extend the time limit for loan applications beyond February 1. Applications mailed on that day will be the last considered.

It developed today that bona fide applications to the New York committee in charge of actual administration of the fund amount only to about $10,000. This fact is taken here to indicate that probably not more than a few millions of the sum subscribed ever will be applied for. In view of this, members of the Board felt that it was not just to keep all the money of the subscribing banks tied up for a period beyond February 1.

In connection with its action on the loan fund the board announced that W. P. G. Harding, its Southern member, shortly would visit each of the Southern Federal Reserve banks to discuss with them questions of discount rates, eligible paper and other matters.

Investigate Cotton Situation.

He also will investigate and report on the cotton market and the probable acreage of the next crop.

Although the statement does not show, it became known tonight that one of the purposes of Mr. Harding's visit is to talk with Southern bankers about the transfer of government funds to Reserve banks. When Secretary McAdoo first broached this subject to the Board, nearly six weeks ago, several board members questioned the policy of such transfers.

Since that time, however, Attorney General Gregory has held that the Reserve Board is an independent co-ordinate branch of the government entirely distinct from the Treasury Department. At tonight's meeting it was said no opposition was aroused to the plan.

Mr. Harding is expected to determine the actual needs of Reserve banks and through them the needs of member banks. He probably will discover whether Reserve banks actually desire government funds and his report will put the board in a position to give intelligent advice in the matter.

CHARGED WITH INSULTING LADIES OVER TELEPHONE.

Goldsboro Negro Caught After Weeks of Effort to Get Him.

(Special Star Telegram.)

Goldsboro, N. C., Jan. 15.—Garland Pearson, a colored butler employed in this city, was given a hearing before Mayor Higgins this afternoon, charged with using profane language over the telephone, and was bound over to superior court under a $200 justified bond which he failed to give and was committed to jail.

The police believe he is the person responsible for the complaints filed by the telephone company asking for their aid in putting a stop to the vile insults that several prominent ladies of this city have been subjected to recently, by being called over the phone by a mysterious voice who would try to carry on a conversation in language unfit to put in print, while several ladies have been threatened with death if they mentioned the matter.

For several weeks past the lady operators of the Southern Bell Telephone Company have been grossly insulted at the exchange by a strange voice, who would engage the operators' attention and then proceed to use vile and profane language, which has been so frequent till every girl at the switchboard has become familiar with the voice, and last night when the mysterious voice called for the number of a prominent lady the operator recognized the voice and connected him with the chief operator, who with the assistance of the manager, Mr. W. A. Carter, who happened to be in the exchange, and who has been working on the case, succeeded in locating the phone from which the voice was talking, which resulted in the arrest of the negro butler, Garland Pearson, and the evidence against the negro this afternoon was so complete as to leave little room for doubt in the mind of Mayor Higgins and the telephone management that he is the author of the mysterious voice which had become a great annoyance to the operators and patrons of the exchange.

MRS. EMMA S. JOHNSON DEAD

Good Woman, Well Known and Highly Esteemed, Passes Away.

(Special Star Correspondence.)

Clinton, N. C., Jan. 15.—Mrs. Emma S. Johnson, widow of the late Charles P. Johnson, in his day a leading merchant of Clinton, died at her home here Thursday morning after an extended illness, in the 68th year of her age. She was a daughter of the late W. H. Stetson, of Clinton, and a woman of fine character and intellect and unusual accomplishments. Of retiring disposition, her mature life was largely devoted to the care and education of her children, and to her home duties. There survive her two daughters, Miss Minnie Johnson, of the faculty of Randolph-Macon college, Lynchburg, Va., and Miss Carrie Johnson, of the faculty of the Murphreesboro Female institute, and one son, Mr. Henry P. Johnson, of Clinton.

The deceased lady was a member of the Baptist church and her funeral was conducted from the family residence on yesterday afternoon, services being conducted by her pastor, Rev. F. T. Collins, assisted by Rev. B. F. DeLoatch, a former pastor. The interment was in Clinton cemetery.

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Here's my guarantee—Go to any drug store and get a 50 cent bottle of Dodson's Liver Tone. Take a spoonful and if it doesn't straighten you right up and make you feel fine and vigorous I want you to go back to the store and get your money. Dodson's Liver Tone is destroying the sale of calomel because it is real liver medicine; entirely vegetable, therefore it can not salivate or make you sick.

I guarantee that one spoonful of Dodson's Liver Tone will put your sluggish liver to work and clean your bowels of that sour bile and constipated waste which is clogging your system and making you feel miserable. I guarantee that a bottle of Dodson's Liver Tone will keep your entire family feeling fine for months. Give it to your children. It is harmless; doesn't gripe and they like its pleasant taste.

RICHMOND CLUB DEAL HAS NOS BEEN CLOSED

Money for Proposed Purchase Not Yet Raised.

But Baltimore Orioles Have Signed Agreement, Depending Upon Purchase of The State League Club

Rchmond, Va., Jan, 15.—Confirmation was given here today of the statement of President J. O. Boatwright, of the Virginia Baseball League in a letter to the president of the Newport News Club yesterday, that the deal for the sale of the State League's rights to the Richmond territory has not yet been consummated.

"It was reported several days ago that the State League's rights to the Richmond territory had been purchased for $12,500 by an organization of local business men, who contemplated securing the Baltimore club's franchise in the international League syn-Rchmond. Members of the local syndicate said today that they expected to complete the deal for the Richmond territory as soon as the $12,500 was raised. An agreement between the Baltimore club owner and the syndicate for transfer of the former's franchise was ratified at a mass meeting here last night. This transfer, it was stated, depends upon purchase of the State League's rights and the raising of funds.

THE PRO AND THE CON OF THE DOG TAX QUESTION.

Subject of Debate by North Carolina Club at the University.

(Special Star Correspondence.)

Chapel Hill, N. C., Jan. 15.—In the opinion of the North Carolina Club, the Legislature should adopt a State-wide dog tax; or so it expressed itself Wednesday night after listening to a debate on the question by four of its members. The final vote stood 22 to 16.

The figures and facts employed in the debate were all drawn from Prof. Branson's "Store Room of Facts Concerning North Carolina," from which comes most of the news matter for the University News Letter which is being quoted so widely by the State press.

The exact question was: "Resolved, That North Carolina Should Adopt a State-Wide Dog Tax for the Benefit of the Public Schools." Mr. R. B. House, of Selma, and Marion Fowler, of Durham, upheld the affirmative. Mr. C. S. Harris, of Sulphur Springs, and Mr. S. C. Hodgin, of Randleman, defended the negative.

The affirmative argued that a dog is either a luxury or an economic necessity; if the former he ought to be taxed; if the latter he can bear the tax. On the other hand if he is worthless he is a nuisance to the State and a tax is the logical solution.

If there is to be a tax it must be State-wide because the county tax is a failure. Of the 20 counties that have a dog tax law, Wake county with $515 receives the highest revenue and Onslow with $1 receives the lowest returns. On the other hand, Virginia has adopted the State system after the failure of the county system and turns over $90,000 annually to the schools of the state after paying for all killed sheep and the cost of collecting the tax. With a similar law South Carolina gets $60,000; Rhode Island $30,000; Indiana $104,000.

With an estimated dog supply of 150,000 and an assumed tax of 50 cents and $1.00 per dog, the State could figure on turning over $75,000 a year to the public schools.

One of the affirmative speakers closed his speech with the following: "A yellow cur dog is symbolic of the economic lassitude of North Carolina."

The negative argued that if the county system was a failure so would the State system be a failure. The tax would fall on the poor man who is already disproportionately taxed. In their opinion the people do not want the tax.

ALL WILMINGTON COUGHING

Death from a gun-shot wound less to be feared than Death from pneumonia.

A great number of our city's men, women and children have colds and coughs today. The air seems to be fairly laden with these throat and lung troubles. There is great danger of contracting pneumonia or consumption from them. Nearly every case has its beginning in a cold or cough, and many people die as a result. Beware!

A sudden chill, stupefying fever, sore throat, hoarseness, running nose, racking cough, rattling and wheezing in chest, painful breathing, signify that your cold borders on pneumonia.

There are many remedies offered for colds, but there is one certain, reliable article that we know of—Dr. Bull's Cough Syrup. It is best for soothing and subduing the inflamed, sore, bronchial tubes and lungs. It warts off pneumonia. It checks cough at once. Cuts a cold short. Don't wait to see if your cold or cough wears away of itself, as pneumonia may come over night.

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NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE OF LANDS.

By virtue of the power of sale contained in a certain mortgage deed executed by Wilmington Door and Lumber Company to C. N. Evans, President, Trustee, dated Marth 18th, 1912, and recorded in Book 68, page 107, in the office of the Register of Deeds of New Hanover County, default having been made in the payment of the debt thereby secured, the undersigned will, on Monday, the 15th day of February, 1915, at 12 o'clock M., at the court house door, in New Hanover county, expose to sale for cash, at public auction, to the highest bidder, the following described tracts or parcels of land:

First Tract.

Beginning at a point in the western line of Front street 132 feet North of the northern line of Ann street, and running thence northwardly along said western line of Front street 66 feet; thence westwardly and parallel with Ann street to the channel or deep water said channel or deep water of the Cape Fear River southwardly and parallel with Front street 66 feet to the northern line of Lot No. 5, in Block 125, of said city; thence eastwardly and parallel with Ann street to the western line of Front street, the point of beginning. The same being that tract or parcel of land conveyed by one A. M. Prince to Brunswick Wood and Coal Company by deed bearing date January the 7th, 1911, and duly recorded in the office of the Register of Deeds for New Hanover County, and conveyed by Brunswick Wood and Coal Company to Wilmington Door and Lumber Company, as will appear by reference to the Public Records of New Hanover County.

Second Tract.

Beginning at a point in the northern line of Meares street 183 feet East of the eastern line of Fourth street, and running thence along said line of Meares street 33 feet in an easterly direction; thence North and parallel with Fifth street 87 feet to the old Coalfield (Francis Morris) line; thence along said line in a westwardly direction 33 feet; thence southwardly and parallel with Fifth street 87 feet to the northern line of Meares street, the point of beginning. The same being part of Lots 5 and 6, in Block 20, according to the official plan of the City of Wilmington.

Third Tract.

All that certain piece, parcel or tract of land situate, lying and being in Cape Fear Township, on the East side, in the County of New Hanover and State of North Carolina, bounded and described as follows:

Beginning at a cypress, on the West side of Cat Fish Creek, a small distance above an old field; thence with the lower line or a tract formerly owned by Samuel Ashe, west 220 poles to a cypress on said Cat Fish Creek, near its head; thence same course 103 poles to the North West River; thence down the River so as to measure in a due South line 95 poles; thence from said River due East 336 poles to Cat Fish Creek; thence up said Creek 35 poles; thence due East 75 poles to a stake on the Sand Hill; thence North 12 degrees West 62 poles; thence West 80 poles to Cat Fish Creek, opposite the Fish Station, containing by estimation 222½ acres, of which twenty-five acres is high land.

One tract situate in said County of New Hanover, on the South side of Cat Fish Creek, in the upper part of the bend, beginning at a cypress on the Creek between the line of the land which formerly belonged to Samuel Ashe and Thos. C. Reston; thence with their line East 84 poles to the corner of said Ashe's line, or rather his old center ditch; thence with said Center Ditch North 2 poles; thence East 30 poles to the corner by the side of the Creek; thence West to the Creek, and thence up the Creek to the beginning, containing 9½ acres.

One tract situate in said County of New Hanover, on said North West River, and Cat Fish Creek, beginning on the River, on the lower corner of the tract on said Creek first above described, thence East 60 poles; thence South 129 poles to the River; thence up the River to the beginning, containing 60 acres of Tide Swamp.

Also eight acres of Sand Hill situate in said County of New Hanover, on Cat Fish Creek, beginning on the Creek at what was formerly known as the Reston lower corner; thence down the creek 20 poles; thence East and back adjoining the western line for its compliment. The last mentioned four tracts of land, described under "Third Tract" herein, being the same lands conveyed by E. P. H. Struneck and wife to Brunswick Wood & Coal Company by deed bearing date June 12, 1909, and duly recorded in the office of Register of Deeds for New Hanover County, in Book 58, page 458, et seq., and reference is hereby made to said deed for the description therein contained, and the same being conveyed by the Brunswick Wood & Coal Company to the Wilmington Door & Lumber Company, by proper deed of conveyance, as the Public Records of New Hanover County will show.

Dated and posted this 13th day of January, 1915.

C. N. EVANS, President, Trustee.

By Atlantic Trust and Banking Company, Assignee.

ROBERT RUARK, Attorney.

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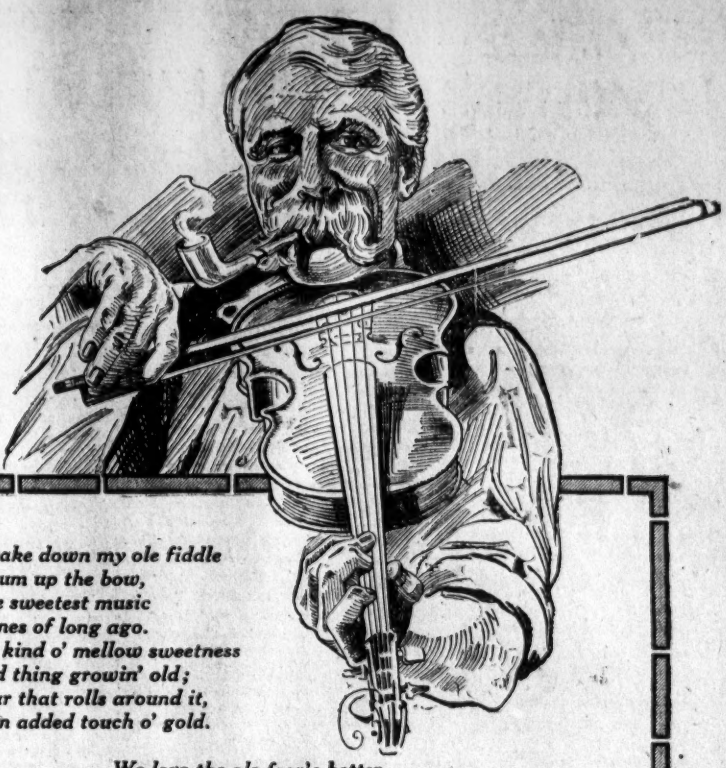

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In order to have much of a show in life a man should not make a spectale of himself.

Wilmington sunshine consists of 100 per cent of refulgence during these midwinter days.

If wheat contnues to rise it will be difficult to raise the dough in order to have wheat bread.

Also lend your money to those of us who are willing to borrow it on good security, if we have it.

We hear nothing of Patagonia's experiences on account of the war in Europe. Probably Patagonia is standing pat.

Although a dum dum bullet will kill you quicker, dum dum bread will slowly but surely do the work of a dum dum bullet.

Well, it's shad season on the Cape Fear, and first one thing and then another all the time in this blessed part of North Carolina.

Billy Sunday is everlastingly lambasting the Philadelphia and "pokin it to 'em till they can't rest", as they say in upper South Carolina.

A woman thinks it is her duty to take her husband to church and he thinks it is his duty to go to keep her from staying at home.

"We can expect good times at an early day," an optimist writes. Of course they will come. All baseball fans know that the time will soon be here.

Republicans are mad because President Wilson declared in his Indianapolis speech that "the Republican party has not had a new idea for 30 years".

The Columbia State says: "Governor resigns without warning". Probably made up his mind not to give any warning and not to wait for any warning.

The booster clubs in some Florida towns have decided to meet once a week to prepare for good times. Some people always did have the nerve to look ahead.

There is something fishy about the large scale upon which joyriding is indulged in by men whose salaries do not warrant more than ordinary amounts of hilarity.

The first efforts of the Republicans and special interests will be to defeat the renomination of Wilson and their next will be to try to keep from being defeated after he is nominated.

Colonel Roosevelt is still down on political bosses but just as many of them are as much down on him as he is down on them. The bosses always resent competition on the part of the Colonel.

In South Carolina the people call it Governor Blease's farewell message, but the probability is that he looks upon it simply as an au revoir, indicating that he will come back if the chances are good.

Join the valiant army which is endeavoring to disperse gloom. This is a time when a man with a pipe dream is more companionable than a man who has a nightmare to enter for the stakes. Shoot the nightmare! Do we shoot 'em? Ye-s-s-s.

Greenville, N. C., is another of the North Carolina cities that has taken up a discussion of the city manager plan for its municipal government. A committee of representative citizens is now at work drafting the required changes in the city charter.

Every man has made failures in endeavoring to accomplish certain purposes and ends, but if a man keeps on trying to do things he is bound to succeed at something. Because a man may fail in doing something is no sign that he will not succeed at something else.

THE FARMERS' SAFE COURSE

The Star has time and again urged the absolute necessity of curtailment of the cotton acreage this year, so it heartily endorses the timely action of the Wilmington Chamber of Commerce in emphasizing this question as the time fast approaches for planting the crops of the South this season.

At the meeting of our Chamber of Commerce on Thursday, Mr. J. Allan Taylor stressed curtailment and pointed out that now is the opportune time for Southern farmers to offset the bad effects of delay in the South's determination to take a definite stand for curtailment. Mr. Taylor warned Southern farmers that already the New York Cotton Exchange is forecasting cotton prices for next fall, and that the situation and prospects are being analyzed by the leading cotton men and speculators of the metropolis. The Exchange people are busy estimating and making calculations upon reports from the South as to this year's crop, and Mr. Taylor earnestly urged that the South owed it to itself to disabuse the minds of the cotton men that they could count upon Southern farmers to make the fatal mistake of planting for another bumper crop. Business men, he urged, should be earnest and timely in arousing the farmers to the danger of another large or even good sized crop of cotton this year.

The Star attaches serious importance to Mr. Taylor's declaration that "curtailment is our only salvation, and that it will take persistent and drastic action to see that it is done." It is highly important, he stated, that we disabuse the minds of those in the North that we are going to raise a bumper crop of cotton this year, and to this end much good can be done by the merchants and business men in their correspondence with their customers in urging its importance upon them.

We regard all that is said on this subject as a matter of serious concern to the agricultural, business and banking interests of the South. We know what a disaster the war in Europe brought to cotton producers the past fall and yet they are not half over with their troubles, even with last year's crop. To plant for another would be the sheerest folly and so the prospective planting this year now becomes the problem. It takes the place of the cotton crisis brought to us by the war and if the Southern farmers do not take the wise course they will face a greater cotton disaster next fall.

While discussing the various measures for relieving last fall's cotton situation, so that prices could be better, The Star urged that one of the most effective steps that could be taken to cause the price to advance would have been an immediate declaration of the farmers through their organizations that they would reduce the acreage for this year. Fancy what the effect would have been if the cotton growers had taken such a prompt and vigorous step, but nothing was done along that line, although there has been a campaign in favor of cutting the acreage in half this year.

The cotton world is getting the impression that the farmers cannot be counted upon to curtail acreage to any appreciable extent and the bears in New York are playing it up for all they are worth to fix prices for October and November deliveries this year. Therefore, if the farmers wish to help the bears with their low price campaign they only need plant cotton instead of curtailing and planting food crops instead.

The government ginners' report concerning the 1914 crop wa sevceedingly bullish, but the Chamber of Commerce took steps to counteract any false impression that may prevail on that score. The resolution on that question to be forwarded to the Bureau of Statistics was a timely action, for there is no telling how seriously the ginners' report already has effected the price of cotton at this time.

Well informed cotton men believe that if a big crop is planted this season they can buy all the cotton they want at six cents a pound this fall. Will the cotton growers themselves persist in a course that will contribute to that result?

THE CITY CHARTER

We are glad to note that the business men of the city through the Chamber of Commerce are going to take a hand in the building of a better charter for Wilmington, efforts towards which thus far have been of a rather desultory character.

The emphasis all along has been for a business administration of the municipal government and we know of no persons better qualified to give counsel upon business matters than business men themselves. The committee should be able to get at something definite, tangible. Thus far the effort appears to have been "all up in the air" with a dozen different plans, schemes and suggestions.

A business men's committee, in conjunction with other leaders of thought and action in the community, ought to be able to get at something that would place our local government upon a much more satisfactory basis than we have at present. The people of Wilmington ought to be gratified that the city's successful business men are taking practical interest in their city. No citizen should be indifferent when the question of governing the city is paramount.

A man lost a whole night's sleep because Congress refused to favor the amendment proposing equal rights for women. He occupied a room next to two suffragettes who kept him awake by expressing their opinion of Congress.

THE COTTON VIEW IN NEW YORK.

The real feeling about cotton in New York is bearish. That means that the logic of the situation augurs for cheap cotton, if not cheaper. Let us give here the review of Mr. Theo. H. Price, of Commerce and Finance, who says in his forecast this week:

"Looking ahead, no new bearish factors are to be seen. There still remains the large surplus supply, but this is being reduced day by day. The export movement for the week is 343,613 bales, against 227,967 last year and the amount on shipboard not cleared is 374,938, against 243,596 bales last year. Including the uncleared cotton the total export movement up to date is 3,205,000 bales, against 5,855,000 last year. The deficiency of 2,650,000 bales will rapidly disappear if the European demand continues at the present rate and there is no sign of its abatement.

"The high rates of freight that are being paid for ocean transportation afford convincing evidence of the eagerness with which American cotton is being bought by Europe. During the week rates have further advanced and the latest quotations are—from Galveston to Liverpool $1.25 per 100 pounds; to Bremen, $3.50 per 100 pounds; to Rotterdam, $2.50 per 100 pounds; to Genoa, $1.50 per 100 pounds. Such rates have never been paid previously since our Civil War.

"Cables from Bombay report that the East Indian government estimates the crop of that country for the coming season at 4,900,000 bales of 400 pounds each, which is 5 per cent below last year. The acreage is put at 24,000,000 acres.

"Viewing the situation broadly the large surplus seems to be the only reason for predicting a decline in cotton. It has been so long recognized that it has lost most of its terror and we continue to believe that the increasing demand for cotton will only be met at gradually advancing prices. Ruskin said that 'No cheating or bargaining will ever get a single thing out of Nature's establishment at half price,' and it begins to look as if the course of the cotton market during this season will exemplify the practical truth of what was intended to be merely a poetical statement."

There is enough in that alone to show some bullish signs but that, it must be remembered, is what we can expect from the cotton world between now and planting time. Bull talk will cause the farmers to go strong on cotton, and that would suit the bears to the highest degree. Yet Mr. Price tells us there are no new bearish factors. There are not likely to be any, for the bears are bulls when it comes to inducing cotton growers to plant a big crop this spring.

FOOD STUFFS WILL BE HIGH

With wheat soaring up towards $1.50 a bushel, flour prices going up nearly 30 per cent. in one day, and increased prospects of a longer war than expected in Europe, the logical result will be high prices for all kinds of food crops this year as well as for years to come. It is a wise farmer, therefore, who will raise wheat, corn, hogs, cattle and other crops in lieu of cotton.

The South will have to pay high prices for food if it does not grow its own food crops, both to supply itself and also to share in the great demand all over this country and Europe for something to eat. We quite agree with the Jacksonville Times-Union that from all indications there is going to be a demand for foodstuffs within the next 12 months unprecedented in this country. As the wise ones are saying, we are reminded, foreign producers of grain are holding back and making ready to realize on the demands that will be made later.

The South is assured that there never will be a better year for marketing food crops of every description.

We hardly thing our local statesmen need expend much worry over the question of whether or not the proposed bond issue for Wilmington shall be submitted to a vote of the people. Some very good lawyers hold to the opinion that such a bond issue as that proposed will have to be submitted to the people, whether the representatives in the Legislature, the council or the commttee in charge so decree, or not. It is strictly a question of law upon which the courts have passed time and again, according to this view.

Having found out that the G. O. P. had no idea of going to the Progressive party, the Progressives are going back to the Republican party. The renegades are received with joy and are being favored and not subjected to reproach. That sets a good example for the Democratic party for the treatment of prodigal sons and repentant Republicans who show that they want to lead a better life by rallying themselves with the party of the people.

A correspondent asks us if it is correct to say ferninst the barn". Of course, no one would think of using such South Carolina language in North Carolina, but those who go to the sister state would have to use such expressions in order to be understood.

A PRESSING NEED

To the Editor of The Star:

The city and county have been very prompt in furnishing work for our laborers, but as yet there is not anything in sight for the mechanics. We would like to call the attention of our school board to the necessity of at once starting work on the new high school. The carpenters, bricklayers and painters are very greatly in need of work to provide for their absolutely necessary wants. The city has provided work for 109 laborers and carpenters and other mechanics, but this is only about one-third enough work.

The high school is already planned. Why not build it at once? We have coming upon us February, the coldest month in the year, and suppose we have it like we did last year. What will these mechanics do? No job. No money. No food. No wood, and no place to look for a job. This is not a normal time, and it certainly requires unusual business procedure and extra strain and vigilance to provide for our unemployed.

I hope, too, that our building and loan people will realize the situation and not remain in a state of indifference to the plight we are placed in. The old word "conservative" will do very well in ordinary times, but in these sad times we ought to get in the habit of using the words "progressive," "liberal," "relief," "promptness," more frequently and not let each one depend on his neighbor to do what is one's own duty. We are our brother's keeper and we can not get around our responsibilities.

Once the building work is started the people will begin to come back home, and those who are now living two families to the house will begin to rent the vacant houses. While only one family can live in a house that is to be built, it will provide work for two or three months for four or five men. If our building and loan associations would each one (and we have 15 of them in our city) lend out enough money the first of February to build six houses, it would provide employment for about 200 carpenters alone and put at work the 100 white carpenters and painters who are now out of work, besides a good many of the colored mechanics of whom we have no full record.

Please do not wait for the other man. He can't possibly do your part. If we are prompt we will be about six months ahead of other towns in getting in the boom. Respectively,

M. ED. KEATHLEY,
Mgr, Public Employment Bureau.

APPEAL FOR STATE HOME FOR DELINQUENT WOMEN.

To the Editor of The Star:

At a great mass meeting of the voters of Charlotte and Mecklenburg, held on Sunday afternoon, January 10th, a petition to the Legislature asking for the erection of a State reformatory for delinquent women was unanimously and enthusiastically adopted, and a committee of prominent citizens was appointed to go to Raleigh on Thursday, January 21st, and work for the passage of a bill creating such an institution. This bill has already been introduced into the Senate by Senator John A. MacRae, and has fair prospects of passing both Houses, provided the people of the State have an opportunity to express the interest which already exists, but has not yet sufficiently crystallized.

The reasons urged at this meeting for the establishment of such an institution were four:

First, We need such an institution and have none, consequently our courts and magistrates don't know what to do with wayward girls and delinquent women when they find them on their hands. Such institutions exist in the Eastern, Northern and Northwestern States, but are not found in the South. When, therefore, these abandoned creatures are hailed before the courts, the only disposition that can be made of them is either to fine them and drive them out of the city, or else release them again upon society. There is no place to which the penitent may go nor to which the refractory may be committed. Many of these girls are still young and might be restored if only there was a place where for a while they could be restrained by law and subjected to kind and wholesome discipline.

Second, The people of North Carolina owe it to themselves as a matter of protection against disease. Eighty per cent of the whites and 90 per cent of the colored people either are or have been infected by disease as the direct or indirect result of immorality. In one of the Charlotte hospitals a baby three years old was found so infected. A child that had fallen and hurt its mouth was picked up and kissed by the colored nurse. In a few weeks time the child and both parents were infected. We are careful about the water that we drink, but too careless about this stream of pollution that flows along our streets, through our hotels and into our police stations. Such statistics as these are hardly believable, yet they come as well accredited as our mortality tables or health statistics. The bill provides, among other things, for a physician of ten years' experience, who shall give the inmates careful attention.

Third, We owe it to the women themselves as a matter of tardy justice, for we already have institutions for the blind, the deaf, the insane, the feeble minded, and wayward boys, but none for wayward girls. They are citizens along with the rest of us and entitled, therefore, to good government and remedial legislation. They are citizens, however, without a vote and cannot help themselves. Their fathers pay taxes and have an equity in the public funds. For all these reasons we ought to provide such a home for them, and it is the duty of the men to do it, because they are partners with them in their crime. There never was a fallen woman without a fallen man, and many a gray-haired respectable householder and father was once as much a sinner as the Magdelene who knelt at our Saviour's feet.

Fourth, The reformatory is the best thing that can be devised in the present state of public opinion. The man who writes this has been deluged with letters suggesting that punishment should be meted out to the men and legislation devised that would protect innocent and inexperienced girls against seduction; but we wish to see a bill submitted that stands some chance of passage, a bill that would be enforced if it were passed, and furthermore, a remedy for those who have already fallen. It is a condition that we confront, and this condition must be met by a remedy. According to the laws of North Carolina, the age of consent is somewhere about 13. Couple this with the fact that we have no reformatory for fallen women and the meaning appears, viz: that by our legislation we make it possible for a mere child to commit the unpardonable sin against society when she is yet in the lower grades at school, and by our lack of legislation we make it impossible for her to find an asylum where she may cover her shame and rebuild her character. We are not influenced by any chimerical expectation of preventing immorality, but we do want to devise some means by which those who have fallen may, if they are willing, regain their lost womanhood.

Mr. Editor, in order that the bill may pass, it will be necessary that the entire State should be heard from. I ask you to publish this letter in the hope that the good people of the other sections who read it may be stimulated to co-operate with us and take action similar to that which our citizens have taken. We are not endeavoring to fabricate sentiment in behalf of such an institution for the purpose of deceiving the Legislature, but we are anxious to secure the benefit of such sentiment as already exists but has not been crystallized into expression. We believe that there is a widely diffused interest in this class of unfortunates throughout the State. We believe that this interest is legitimately ours in the effort which we are making, and we call upon all good men and women who are so interested to express themselves in whatever way may seem to them most effective. We should like to see a delegation from every community go to Raleigh on January 21st to meet committees of the Senate and House and urge the passage of this bill. We should be glad to have men and women of influence their representatives. We should like those who are interested to put themselves in communication with us so that we may co-operate instantly and intelligently, and we pray the blessing of God to rest upon all who will help to heal this open sore in our great North State.

If any change of date from January 21st is made necessary, the change will be made public through the press, and personally to any such as have signified to me their expectation of meeting with us at Raleigh at that time. Respectfully yours,

A. A. McGEACHY,
Charlotte, N. C., Jan. 11, 1915.

CURRENT COMMENT.

There seems to be a tendency among a good many farmers to learn too heavily upon the failure of cotton prices and to ascribe all their woes to the same thing. They have been coddled and petted a good deal since the war began and are coming to think that it is coming to them; and when they run up against a proposition that calls for them to decide for themselves they are apt to hark back to the same old plea. It is up to each individual farmer to decide for himself what he will do as to a next year's crop just the same as it has been every year since he bought the farm. The lessons are staring him in the face—surely he can see them. The merchant and professional man has his bills to pay whether there be war or not. The farmer has been given an abnormal amount of rope, and he is doing just what might be expected: hanging himself; but he is also in many instances trying to take to the gallows with him every man to whom he is indebted.—Whiteville News Reporter.

The Spray farmer presents some old ideas in a new way in the course of his reflections on what he observed in a recent visit to New York and Washington. Certainly he lays down the proposition in a striking manner when he proposes that the Southern farmers raise cotton in New York, and grass, cattle and hogs at home. The point is well made, also, that President Wilson has given abolition of financial slavery, while Secretary Houston is ready to give the cotton slaves a chance for freedom "if they will just be kind enough to let something work for them without a pay roll." It is the pay roll the farmer has been disposed to overlook in planning the crops from which he expects to make a living. He always has the expected $50 a bale in mind, with no thought for the deduction of the money it has cost him to raise the bale. It is the pasture and the orchard that work for the farmer without a pay roll. The Spray farmer gives the logic in the European situation as it aplies to the present and future of cotton and it will be noted that he has faith in the staple, and that he offers to take cotton on a basis of 10 1-2 cents in exchange for promoters of the cattle industry. The Spray farmer is doing a man's part in the development of future prosperity for the agricultural interests of North Carolina. —Charlotte Observer.

London, Jan. 15.—The government's appeal for gifts of mouth-organs for the use of soldiers at the front has revealed a shortage in the supply of these popular musical instruments. According to instrument dealers, practically all England's supply of mouth-organs comes from Germany. An effort is being made to remedy the depleted stock by importation from the United States.

HELPLESS AS BACY

Down in Mind Unable to Work, and What Helped Her.

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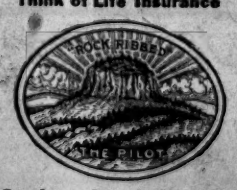

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CITY COUNCIL DECLINES A SEPARATE COMMISSION

Not Favorable to Proposition of Citizens.

Thereupon Proposal of Committee is Withdrawn and Council Will Proceed on its Own Initiative—Lengthy Discussion yesterday

At a rather lengthy and spirited session of the City Council yesterday at noon, called for the purpose of discussing the expenditure of the fund to be provided by what is known as the Chadwick plan of financing the present floating indebtedness of the municipality, taking care of the unemployed in the matter of emergency work and making necessary additions to the water plant and undertaking certain sidewalk improvements, it developed that a very serious misunderstanding had occurred as to the proposal, in that the Council was unwilling that a commision should be placed in charge of the expenditures comtemplated in the proposal, with the result that the citizens' committee in attendance formally withdrew its proposal, involving the increase in the public debt and the matter was remanded to the Council to deal with in their judgment.

The committee, through its chairman, Mr. J. A. Taylor, however, emphasized that while the committee were not willing to assume a responsibility without power, that they, as individuals, would be glad to render any assistance they could give in the way of counsel and that might be desired by the Council, but they could not consent to bear any official relation to the matter.

Mayor Pro Tem. Loughlin called the meeting to order and presided until Mayor Moore came in later. Other members of Council were present and in attendance from the citizens' committee were Messrs. Taylor, H. C. McQueen, Samuel Bear, and Thos. H. Wright. Mr. Loughlin stated that the meeting was called for the purpose of hearing the citizens' committee with regard to handling the fund that it is proposed to raise under the Chadwick plan and suggested that they hear Chairman Taylor first.

Mr. Taylor stated at the outset that the city attorney, who was drawing the proposed bill to be submitted to the Legislature, had requested him to submit what his committee thought was the proper provision for handling the several funds and that, after a conference with other members of the committee, he had written a letter to City Attorney Bryan outlining the position of his committee. Copies of the letter had previously been sent to Councilman Chadwick, father of the plan, and Councilman Merritt, in charge of the Department of Street and Wharves. It was read for the information of the Council as follows:

"Wilmington, N. C., January 14, 1915.

"Judge E. K. Bryan, City Attorney, City.

"Dear Sir: Replying to your inquiry in reference to the powers which should reside in the Street Commission to be created under the resolution of the City Council passed Saturday, the 7th, instant, to be composed of five business men to handle the relief fund.

"After conferring with the gentlemen whose names have been proposed for the commission, I am authorized to state our position as follows:

As the relief proposition did not originate with the City Council but was presented to that body in response to a public mandate imposed on a citizens' committee, the committee in presenting the matter to the Council recommended that the funds to be created should be administered by a Street Commission composed of business men whose action could in no way be influenced by political considerations. Under such a condition it is obvious that the powers of the Street Commission should not be subject to the approval or review of any other authority, otherwise the very purpose of its creation would be defeated, and we think the bill creating the commission should provide.

" (A) That the commission should have control of the funds; authorized to do the work contemplated either by contract or otherwise; to call for the sale of securities as the needs may require; to apportion the funds among the several objects as in its judgment is proper; to make a monthly report to the Council of the work done and money expended.

"(B) The city treasurer to pay out moneys on the order of the chairman of the commision under regulations to be made by the commission.

"(C) The City Council to negotiate and sell city securities as called for by the commission in writing.

"It is hardly necessary to add that if a commission is to be created it should be clothed with powers adequate to its purpose, and if the action of the commission were made subject to the Council it would mean to impose responsibility without power to perform, and would most likely result in friction and complications, possibly ending in a political squabble. Yours very truly,

"J. A. TAYLOR,

"Chairman Central Committee."

It was made clear from Mr. Taylor's letter to the City Attorney that the intention was for the commission to have control of all the funds to be created and to adjust them in its discretion except as to the funding feature of the present uncovered debt, and that the functions of the commission were not limited to administering the $20,000 to be provided at once for emergency labor, but for all other funds as well with the possible exception of the amount required for refunding purposes. Mr. Taylor called attention to thefact that at the meeting last Saturday afternoon to consider a bond issue for the creation of work for the unemployed, it was felt that it was best for all concerned to remove the handling of the fund from politics by having a commission. There seemed to be no objection and a few days later the committee was called into conference by Mr. Chadwick and City Clerk and Treasurer Mearns at which the whole proposition was threshed out. The endorsement of the Chadwick plan was predicated, he said, on the creation of a commission. He thought all members of Council so understood. He had talked with Mr. Merritt over the telephone about the matter and thought that he understood it. Mr. Taylor went on to say that the municipal campaign is now on and that almost all, if not all, the Councilmen would be candidates for office, therefore it would be best to have a commission and remove the entire matter from politics. Only the day before, he said, people called him up and said that unless there was a commission they would not get any work to do. He did not know who they were, he said, but it showed the necessity of divorcing the matter entirely from politics.

Mr. Taylor said if the idea to relieve the unemployed had had its origin with the Council, the matter might possibly be different, but it had started with the people and he thouvht that in order to carry out the idea it would be well to create a commission to handle the fund. He did not consider his letter to Attorney Bryan a reflection on the Council; it simply carried out the original idea. However, if the Council did not want a commission it should say so and give the people a reason.

Mr. Merritt said that he had told Mr. Taylor he thought it would be a good idea to have a commission but the plan outlined in Mr. Taylor's letter went further than he anticipated. As to politics in the employment of labor, he had instructed Street Superintendent McAllister not to let politics enter at all into the hiring of the extra men now being put on. He was certain that politics did not enter into it at all. The only preferences shown had been in the employment of married men who have families to support in preference to single men. Only seven or eight unmarried men had been declined a job. The trouble he said was that too many of them want jobs as foremen, whereas the policy had been to put experienced men already on the street force as foremen. He said that if he personally were out of work and his family was suffering he would not hesitate to "go in the ditch", as he expressed it.

Councilman Loughlin said that as he saw it the citizens' committee had performed its function, which was to get employment for the jobless. So far as he was concerned the mandate of the mass meeting has been complied with. He was absolutely opposed to the commission for the reason that the form of government under which we are working is opposed to the division of authority; we had commissions galore, at one time, resulting in a change to the present form. Another reason, he said, was that a commission was called for by a very small minority of that citizens' committee for which they are acting. Councilmen were elected by the people to run the government and he, for one, would not permit the authority to be diverted from the Council to any other commission. He thought it was a reflection to say that a commission is necessary to keep the matter out of politics and asked if the commission could be trusted to keep it out of politics. If the committee wants a commission to conduct the fairs of the city, they have the same right to go before the people and be elected as the Councilmen had.

Mr. Loughlin said he would be glad to have advice, counsel and assistance from a committee of citizens in expending the money but would not be commanded by them.

Councilmen Jones said the Council had no disposition to get the money involved in politics. He said that it was suggested to Council six weeks ago that an appropriation of $50,000 be made for giving employment to the needy, but he did not advance the idea for fear that he would be charged with fostering a political movement. Only six extra men had been placed in the police department and that he had given preference to men with families to support; in some instances he did not know personally the men that were employed.

Mr. Chadwick explained that he had agreed in conference to the commission idea but did not contemplate that it would go as far as proposed by the committee. He then proposed an advisory committee along the lines of the following memoranda:

"As Regards the Sidewalks—Committee to investigate where sidewalks can be laid to best advantage of community or citizens at large, and for improvement of valuations, and recommend loans to parties unable to meet expense of laying same, all to be recommended to the Council for approval and action.

"As Regards House Connections With Sewerage—Committee to investigate necessities, as may be more or less pressing, recommending order in which work shall be done, recommend loans to parties needing same, and procedure by which sewerages can be installed promptly and conveniently to the people without loss to the city.

"Generally speaking the committee is to act in an advisory capacity, assisting the Council in every way, and for this purpose the Council welcomes and urges such a body from the citizens.

"The money to be spent in water plant or deep well improvement also to be investigated and recommendations made by the committee."

The citizens' committee held a brief conference and upon the conclusion of the remarks of the Councilmen declining to create a street commission on the conditions outlined in Mr. Tay-

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WORK NEARING COMPLETION

Timely Improvements at Orton Hotel Furnish Employment for Large Force of Men.

"The improvements I am making at the Orton," said Mr. J. H. Hinton, proprietor of that popular hotel, yesterday, "are timely. The working man needs the work now above all times, and I will do my part toward helping Wilmington give employment to as many as possible."

A large force of plumbers, painters, carpenters and electricians is busily engaged in carrying out the extensive improvements at the Orton, and the work is progressing at a rapid rate. The entire office floor is in the hands of Mr. H. P. Clavina, of Washington, D. C., an artist in his line, and he is using excellent taste in the decorations. The parlor floor is now torn up and ready for the Tarrazzo flooring that is to be put down, and the marble setters are at work on the side walls.

The stairway leading to the parlor floor is to be worn away, and a beautiful marble one will take its place. The office counter will be moved and rearranged, giving more space in the lobby, and new chandeliers will adorn the ceiling. The new bathrooms are all finished in white tile.

The Orton has for many years been headquarters for conventions and meetings and with the completion of the extensive improvements at an early date, it will soon be in position to add to its laurels. Mr. Hinton says it is his aim to have the building in keeping with the table, which is second to none, and always supplied with the best the market affords. The extensive new refrigerating plant, installation of which has just been completed, enables the hotel to keep on hand at all times a stock of choice eatables.

STAMP TAX RULES FOR DEEDS

Commissioner Osborne Defines Papers That are Exempt and Those to be Taxed Under Law

In answer to the many inquiries received since the war tax revenue act went into effect, asking for detailed information as to just what papers drawn and filed in realty transactions are subject to tax and those that are exempt, Commissioner W. H. Osborne has recently issued the following statement:

"The act provides that a deed, instrument, or writing, whereby any lands, tenements, or other realty sold shall be granted, assigned, transferred or otherwise conveyed, when the consideration or value of the interest or property conveyed exclusive of the value of any lien or incumbrance thereon exceeds 100 and does not exceed $500 shall be subject to a tax of 50 cents, and for each adtional $500 or fractional part thereof in excess of $50, 50 cents.

"For instance, where a property is sold for $2,000, $1,000 of which is received in cash and a promissory note for the balance, the tax to be imposed upon the deed should be computed on the basis of the cash received and the said promissory note becomes subject to the tax imposed upon such instruments, that is, $1 on the deed and 2 cents on the note.

Example Cited

"In the case of a deed which states that the transfer is made for a nominal consideration, or a consideration of $1, the tax must be computed upon the actual value of the interest or property conveyed the amount of any lien or incumbrance being deducted, and the person who executes the deed is required to affix stamps thereto and becomes liable to penalty if stamps in a sufficient amount, based upon the actual value of the consideration given are not so affixed.

"A deed which is executed, dated and delivered prior to December 1, 1914, is not subject to tax under the provisions of the said act, and therefore may be accepted for record subsequent to that date wthout having documentary stamps affixed thereto.

"A deed which was dated prior to December 1, 1914, but was acknowledged before a notary public and delivered subsequently to that date, is taxable.

"Section 13 of the said act provides that it shall not be lawful to record or register any instrument, paper or document required by law to be stamped unless stamp or stamps of the proper amount shall have been affixed and canceled in the manner prescribed by law.

"Where a deed is presented to a recording officer and it appears probable that an insufficient amount of internal revenue stamps are attached thereto and he is not satisfied with the explanation furnished by the party offering the same for record, he should notify the Collector of Revenue. It is not expected that the recordng officer wil institute an investigation to see whether there has been any violation of the law; nor is it thought that he should exact an affidavit showing the true consideration.

Not Subject to Pay

"A contract for the sale of real estate which provides for the issuance of a deed at some future date upon the fuilfillment of certain conditions is not subject to tax, if executed by the owner of the land. If executed by a broker it is subject to a tax of 10 cents.

"A partition deed which is operative in defining boundary lines or in showing by location each tenant-in-common's interest is not subjected to tax.

"A quit claim deed given for no consideration or merely the nominal consideration of $1 for the purpose of correcting a flaw in title is not subject to tax. No tax is imposed upon an option for the purchase of real property.

"Oil leases, leases of mining property, long term mining leases, etc., which, in themselves, convey no title to or interest in, real property are exempt from tax.

Deeds in Escrow

"Deeds in escrow do not become subject to the said tax until the final delivery is made. Therefore if delivery of such a deed is made subsequent to December 1, 1914, it becomes subject to the tax imposed upon conveyances.

"Deeds of release and deeds of trust are exempt from tax under the provision of the said act.

"Deeds issued by Masters in Chancery, Sheriffs, etc., to cover transfer of property sold under a foreclosure or execution are subject to tax the cost of which may be added to the court costs.

"Deeds to burial sites which do not convey title to land, but only a right to sepulchre, to erect monuments etc., are exempt from tax.

"A deed issued to cover a gift of property from husband to wife, or from parent to child, or from an individual to a municipality or other political sub-division, wherein the consideration named is natural love and affection and $1. desire to promote public welfare and $1,' or '$1 and other valuable considerations taxable.

"In the case of an exchange of two properties, the deeds transfering title to each are subject to tax, which should, in each case be computed on the basis of the actual value of the interest or property conveyed, the amount of any lien or incumbrance being deducted.

"A deed executed by a debtor covering an assignment of property to a trustee to be held for the benefit of a creditor is not subject to tax. When, however, the trustee sells or conveys such property, ether to the creditor or any other person, the deeds executed by him are taxable.

"A deed transferring title to property to a building and loan association for the purpose of securing a loan on the property so conveyed which property is immediately reconveyed to its owner, is not subject to tax; the deed of reconveyance being likewise exempt.

"A deed given by a husband and wife to a 'straw man' who immediately executes a deed reconveying the property to the wife is not subject to tax if given for no valuable consideration, or merely the nominal consideration of $1, and likewise the deed of reconveyance is exempt."

Mrs. Julia C. Eaton Dead.

Friends will regret to learn of the death of Mrs. Julia C. Eaton, which occurred late yesterday afternoon at No. 718 South Second street, where she made her home. Mrs. Eaton was over 70 years of age, and is survived by no immediate relatives here. The funeral will be conducted from No. 718 South Second street this afternoon at by the local class of the International Bible Students' Association, and the remains will be taken on evening train to Phoenix and interred there Sunday morning.

Have you joined the 1915 Savings Club at the American National Bank? (Advertisement) tf

SHOE FIRM CLOSES DOORS

Messrs. Hewlett & Price Suffer Financial Embarassment and Place Closed Pending Negotiations

Under executions from the sheriff's office upon two judgments for comparatively small amounts, the store of Messrs. Hewlett & Price, retail shoe dealers, No. 24 North Front Street, was closed yesterday morning and their business has been suspended pending an inventory or other legal steps that may be taken to continue or close the store permanently. No statement of the assets or liabilities was given out yesterday from attorneys representing either the creditors or the members of the firm.

The judgments were secured in Justice Harriss' court in actions brought by Mr. James Owen Reilly, real estate agent, representing Mrs. K. F. Wright, owner of the building in which the store is located, the amount being approximately $200, and Messrs S. & B. Solomon, for goods furnished to the amount of $141. The temporary embarassment of the firm is ascribed to the general depression in business and the inability to realize quickly on assets.

Herbert McClammy, Esq., is attorney for Mr. George T. Hewlett, one of the members of the firm, and Robert Ruark, Esq., represents the interests of the other member, Mr. Jos. A. Price. Neither of the attorneys named was in position to talk of the future of the business yesterday afternoon, the next step in the usual course being, of course, to appraise the stock and apportion the legal exemption to the two members of the firm.

Friends of both Mr. Hewlett and Mr. Price regret to know of their embarassment and hope that arrangements may be made by which they may resume business.

MUSICAL ATTRACTION NEXT

Schumann Quintette at Boys' Brigade Tuesday Evening.

The fifth number of the Boys' Brigade Lyceum Course will be given at the armory next Tuesday night and reserve seat tickets will go on sale Monday morning at the store of Munson & Co. The attraction will be the Schumann Quintette. Mr. Carl Lampart is the organizer and leader and a vionlist of great ability, having enjoyed study under some of the greatest teachers in the world, both in America and Europe and for nine years played first violin with the great Thomas Orchestra. He is at present connected with some of the most noted musical institutions in America. Mr. Micolai Zdeler, 'cellist, is from a distinguished musical family, is a pupil of Steindel and occupies an enviable position which constitutes the greatest charm of the violoncello. He makes it sing. Mr. Norman Weiller second violin, is a German by birth, and comes of a musical family and is, a musician of much real merit. Jeanette Phillips Lampert, pianist, has devoted her entire pianistic ability to the one end of making herself a successlf accompanist, while Miriam Zedeler, organist, has displayed rare ability in her chosen line of work. These five splendid musicians compose the Schumann Quintette.

They need no introduction to the people of Wilmington, as they were here last winter on the Brigade course and their concert was followed by a vigorous demand that they be re-engaged for a concert this winter and it is to fill this demand that they will come to Wilmington next Tuesday night for a second concert. No other musical organization ever appeared on this course which gave more universal satisfaction and pleasure ,and their coming is awaited with interest by the hundreds who heard them on their last visit to this city.

OLD NEWSPAPER COPY

New York Herald's Announcement of the Lincoln Assassination

Col. W. B. Fort, of Pikeville, who was here yesterday, left with The Star an interesting historical relic in the form of a copy of the New York Herald, April 15th, 1865, announcing the assassination of President Abraham Lincoln. The paper is well preserved and was issued in the form of a four-page extra with a cut of the dead president on the front page. In the first column under the head "Important" are given the particulars of the assassination and the attempt upon the life of Secretary Seward all of which is now familiar history.

The paper is a vivid reminder of those stirring times of which Colonel Fort, a veteran of the war, talks most interestingly. He had been captured at the time of the assassination and had just been paroled after the Battle of Appomattox and with the late Mr. Wm. H. Green and two other Wilmingtonians, whom Col. Fort referred to affectionately, as the "Flanner boys", were on their way home with their paroles in their pockets. The whole country was thrown into a great state of excitement by the assassination and as soon as Col. Fort and his companions reached Norfolk in their gray jackets they were immediately arrested and thrown into prison. Happily for them, of course, no connection with the assassination could be traced in their cases and they were promptly released the next morning, after remaining in prison overnight.

PLEASED WITH CONDITIONS

Mr. S. Brockwell, of State Bureau of Fire Prevention, Here.

Mr. Sherwood Brockwell, of the Bureau of Fire Prevention, State Insurance Department, spent yesterday in the city conferring with Chief Charles Schnibben, of the Wilmington Fire Department, and other city officials, leaving in the afternoon for Wadesboro, expressing himself as highly pleased with what he saw there. While here he also called on Mayor Moore and had a very pleasant chat with him about the work of the bureau in this State and of the splendid fire protection which Wilmington enjoys.

Mr. Brockwell came primarily to Wilmington to inspect the new fire pump and engine which has just been installed on the fire boat Atlantic and over which he is very enthusiastic. He says that Wilmington is the only city in the Carolinas and Virginia which has a regularly equipped fire boat, Charleston, Norfolk and other seaports using fire tugs for the protection of their water fronts.

Speaking of the splendid results of the fire boat, Mr. Brockwell pointed out that the fire boat had a capacity more than the entire water pumping plant of the city of Henderson. The fire boat can pump 11,000 gallons a minute or in an emergency 14,500 gallons. The Henderson plant has a capacity of only 12,000 gallons.

Mr. Brockwell spoke in the highest terms of the work of Chief Schnibben, Assistant Chief Monroe and the men of the splendid organization of the Wilmington Fire Department. He also emphasized the good work being done here in the way of fire prevention, which is considered quite as important as the successful management of fires after they have occurred. The equipment of the local department, Mr. Brockwell said, was first class in every respect, well kept and excellently manned.

WILMINGTON AGAIN LEADS.

Sale of Red Cross Stamps Here Ahead of All Other Cities.

A few days ago when the good ladies of the Wilmington Red Cross were too busy counting returns of stamps to question figures or dispute claims, there went up in the State a report, loudly heralded, that another city in the Old North State had led all others in the sale of the Red Cross Christmas seals.

However, when the official returns were made yesterday, it was a pleasure for Mrs. Cuthbert Martin, president of the local chapter, to announce that Wilmington had again led the State by a comfortable lead, although, on account of the depression, the sales were not so large as of the year before. To be exact, the number of seals disposed of here was 92,443, while the closest competitor was Winston-Salem, with only 63,000. The lead of Wilmington is a safe one and the ladies deserve the highest praise for their splendid work.

FOR CONFEDERATE MEMORIAL

Reported That Late G. J. Boney Left $20,000 for This Purpose.

Although the document has not yet been probated and is in the hands of the Wilmington Savings and Trust Company, which it is presumed will be named as the executor, it was stated yesterday by persons close to the late Mr. G. J. Boney that in his will he had left a considerable sum, probably $20,000, for the erection of a monument or the establishment of a memorial in Wilmington to the Southern Confederacy.

Mr. Boney, himself a brave Confederate soldier, was always close to every work for the perpetuation of Confederate memories and it is stated that there is every reason to believe that the bequest referred to has been made and it will fully appear with all details as soon the the paper is filed for probate which, it is expected, will be within a few days.

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SOCIAL and PERSONAL

Mr. and Mrs. O. W. Messick, of Northwest, spent yesterday in the city.

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Miss Birdia Clifton, of Clinton, who has been visiting Miss LaGolda Smith, in this city, has returned to her home.

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Miss Anna B. Gaskill returned last night from Washington, N. C., where she has been visiting friends.

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Prof. M. C. S. Noble, of Chapel Hill, arrived yesterday to attend the Yarborough-Hanson wedding today at noon.

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Mss Pauline Crumb and the other teachers of the McDowell school of Music will serve tea to their friends at the school this afternoon from 4 to 6 o'clock.

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Mrs. L. J. Darden, of No. 517 North Third street, yesterday announced the marriage of her daughter, Miss Nannie Darden, to Mr. John S. Holeman, of Baltimore, Md., the ceremony having taken place at Norfolk, Va., Tuesday evening. Miss Darden's many friends will wish for her all happiness. Mr. Holeman formerly resided here for a time, and has many friends in the city who will extend congratulations.

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Miss Mary Belle King entertained about 30 of her friends at her home on North Fourth street last evening from 9 to 12 o'clock, the occasion being delightfully informal and thoroughly enjoyable. Games, contests and other amusements contributed to the entertainment of the guests. One most amusing feature was a soda cracker contest for the men, in which Mr. Newton Fisher won fire price. In a musical contest Mr. Melzar Pearsall won the first prize for men and Miss Edna LaNier the first prize for ladies. The booby was awarded to Rev. H. W. Koelling. Delightful refreshments in two courses were served. The guests united in voting Miss King a most charming hostess.

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SOCIAL AFFAIRS OF THE WEEK AT PINEHURST, N. C.

Pinehurst, N. C., Jan. 15.—Socially the week has been devoted very largely to the affairs of the advertising golfers. The more elaborate entertainments included Wednesday evening's ball, with prize dancing; Thursday evening's minstrel show, with its jokes and personality; and Friday evening's banquet. In addition, various competitions, dinners, teas and bridge parties were arranged for the ladies of the party, those in attendance including Mesdames H. H. Treadwell, Miss Treadwell, Herbert Barber and Miss Barber, E. J. Ridgway, A. S. Higgins, W. W. Manning, W. B. Lasher, W. R. Hotchkin, H. E. Spaulding, W. E. Rudge, Edwin Rode, J. M. Thorsen, C. W. Harmon A. C. C. Hammesfohn, H. H. Mallnson, H. D. Cashman and Alex. Reed, A. Holmes and Miss Holmes, all of New York; John Shepard, Jr., George C. Dutton and W. F. Smith of Boston; George C. Hubbs of Detroit; C. P. Brady of Chicago; J. D. Plummer and J. F. Duryea of Springfield, Mass.; and Chas. W. Beck, Jr., Harvey A. Thompson, J. G. Martin of Philadelphia.

GOVERNOR AND MRS. CRAIG GIVE BRILLIANT RECEPTION.

Raleigh, N. C., Jan. 15.—Governor and Mrs. Locke Craig were "at home" tonight from 8:30 to 11 o'clock to the members of the General Assembly and their wives and other invited guests and with Dr. Edwin A. Alderman, president of the University of Virginia, and Mrs. Alderman as the special honor guests. It was one of the most brilliant social affairs ever given in the Governor's Mansion, which was decorated in exquisite taste with a profusion of Southern smilax, palms, and other potted plants and cut flowers. There was a service of refreshments in the serving of which a large company of ladies of the city assisted.

The guests were received as they arrived by members of the Governor's staff. They were announced to the receiving party by Adjutant General Laurence W. Young. In the receiving line with Governor and Mrs. Craig were Dr. and Mrs. Alderman; Lieutenant Governor and Mrs. E. L. Daughtridge; Speaker E. R. Wooten, of the House, and Mrs. Wooten; Secretary of State and Mrs. J. Bryan Grimes; State Auditor W. P. Wood and Miss Edna Clark; State Treasurer B. R. Lacy and Miss Lacy; Attorney General T. W. Bickett and Mrs. Bickett; Chief Justice Walter Clark and Miss Clark.

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BRIDAL PARTY ENTERTAINED AT HOTEL WILMINGTON

Mr. Louis Hanson, Jr., last evening entertained most handsomely at a luncheon at the Hotel Wilmington, the members of the Hanson-Yarborough wedding party. The main dining room of the hotel, which had been attractively decorated, was used and the complete party was included in the list of guests.

Among those present were: Mr. Wm. C. Yarborough, the prospective groom, and Miss Bertie C. Hanson, the bride-elect; Rev. Henry W. A. Hanson and Mrs. Hanson, of Harrisburg, Pa.; Dr. and Mrs. Ralph K. Knouse, of Harrisburg, Pa.; Mrs. H. M. Hussey, of Baltimore, Md.; Mr. and Mrs. J. T. King, Mr. and Mrs. Robert C. Merritt; Mr. Ferd. Dulls, Miss Lucile Polvogt, Miss Kate C. Yarborough, Miss Alice Noble, Chapel Hill; Mr. Eduard Ahrens, Mr. C. D. Yarborough and Mr. Louis Hanson, Jr.

Rev. Mr. Hanson served most gracefully as toastmaster and among the responses were those by Mr. King, Mr. Ahrens, Mr. Merritt, Mr. Yarborough, the prospective groom, and others.

Excellent music was discoursed during the evening by Johnson's orchestra and following the luncheon dancing was enjoyed until an early hour this morning.

The color scheme for the occasion was green and white and this was carried out very effectively on the tables and elsewhere, monograms of "H-Y." being used in the salads.

The affair was one of the most elaborate of the social affairs this season in Wilmington.

The wedding will take place today at noon at St. Paul's Lutheran church.

THEATRICAL

The Bijou Stock Company gave a very creditable performance of a breezy Western comedy drama entitled "Golden Heart", at the Academy last night, and seemed to please a large audience. Today's matinee and tonight's performance closes the engagement of this company at the Academy, which has been a very successful one. The company has made friends in Wilmington and the local management has made arrangements for the company to play a return engagement of one week in the early spring. A ladies' and children's matinee will be given this afternoon promptly at 3 o'clock, admission 10 and 20c. The vaudeville numbers at the matinee will be arranged to please the little folks as well as adults.

Big Week-End at Bijou.

Many a convict, if given a chance upon his release from prison, would willingly "go straight." Often when the gates of Sing Sing open upon the time-expired convict, he finds that he is still a hunted man. Police keep informed of his new address; he is shadowed by detectives, and if public clamor demands the arrest of someone for a crime, frequently the convict is "framed" and clapped again in jail. With his record against him he has little chance of acquittal, and a few weeks after his arrest the prison gates again yawn before him. Sad, sad, spectacle, but nevertheless, true to life.

This is the theme of the masterpiece drama that features today's bill at the bijou, entitled "Hounded," in which Ben Wilson and Anna Luther play leading roles, and which features the looting of a bank, the death of the watchman in locked vault, a thrilling escape from prison and the death of the hounded jailbird's wife and child. The convict, on the verge of a second murder, is inspired to go straight by a vision of his dead wife and child. It's a thriller, you may be sure, and gives Ben Wilson ample opportunity for some of his strongest dramatic work, ably assisted by popular Anna Luther in two full reels.

A notable Mutual offering is "Casey's Vendetta" an Irish-Italian comedy feature, played by an all-star cast including Edwin Dillon, Fay Tincher, and Tod Browning. I's a winner, one that will appeal to everyone, and will be a real feature of the day.

Then comes a rousing Nestor comedy feature, "Pruningthe Movies," which deals with the antics of a self-appointed "Board of Censorship" in a small village. It's a ridiculous scream from beginning to end.

Glorious Week-End at New Grand.

Whet-up your amusement appetite for a big feast of the rarest, most wholesome and costly films, because such will the show at the New Grand this week-end consist. Another record breaking day was that yesterday when the second eposide of "Zudora" was screened. People packed Wilmington's handsomest and most popular movie theatre afternoon and night and left even more delighted than when the initial episode was presented. "Zudora" is the greatest of all film stories.

But today's great, immense show: First of all it is going to be lead by a mammoth two-reeler, "The Man From the Sea," and it is Lubin's most pretentious offering. It is also most spectacular, the scene of the yacht ablaze and the wireless station along the coast being graphic, stupendous spectacles. The story is a gripper all the way through, and a star cast appears, including Kempton Green and Anna Luther.

Running this a close second will come the Biograph's most fascinating and most fantastic film sensation, "For Her People," being the story of the Queen of Barsonia. That clever and popular actress. Irene Hawley, appears as the queen. Others in the cast are Jack Mulhall and Joseph McDermott.

A swell comedy will climax today's superb show. It is Selig's "He who Dances Must Pay" and it is a howl from first to last. Clever and noted comedy folks appear in this merry creation. They include Elsie Greeson, Sid Smith and John Lancaster. So don't go shy on this big bunch of joy at the New Grand today.

LOCAL DOTS.

—By deed filed for record yesterday Hugh MacRae and others transfer to Carl J. Fick, for $10 and other considerations, lot No. 319, Audubon Subdivision.

—Two suits were started in Superior Court yesterday by the Acme Manufacturing Company, one against F. M. Hadley, in which the summons was issued to Chatham county, and the other against R. E. L. Northcutt and others, the summons being issued to Anson county. J. G. McCormick, Esq., is attorney for the plaintiff in both actions.

—Etta Jane Lucas, colored, No. 817 Castle street, has asked the police to help her find her two-year-old daughter who disappeared from home last Wednesday and has not been seen or heard of since. The mother says the baby was last seen at Eighth and Castle streets and she is anxious to receive some news of the child's whereabouts.

—Mr. P. A. Marshburn's grocery store at Sxth and Chesnut streets was entered some time Thursday night and groceries to the amount of more than $25 were stolen, including several boxes of cigars, a quantity of snuff, some side meat and other articles. Entrance was effected by breaking a glass in the front door. The police are working on the case.

ECONOMY WAS THE MOTIVE

German Steamer Nicaria Transferred from Southport to Wilmington to Save Expenses.

Messrs. Heide & Co., as agents for the Hamburg-American Steamship Line, of New York, declare that the people of Southport are under a false impression as to the reason for the removal of the interned German steamship Nicaria from Southport to Wilmington.

According to The Star's Southport correspondent, the people of Southport are indignant over a report to the effect that the captain of the Nicaria had secured authority to make the change by reporting to the owners of the steamer that the anchorage at Southport was not safe.

The local agents of the Hamburg-American Line say that after consultation with Captain R. Hollasch, master of the Nicaria, the owners decided to transfer the steamer from Southport to Wilmington mainly for the purpose of economy and to secure the advantage of fresh water. By removing the vessel to Wilmington, the owners were enabled to discharge nearly all of the members of her crew, and also were enabled to keep in closer touch with the vessel by telegraph. At Southport the steamer had to ride at anchor in the harbor and was compelled to keep up steam under the marine stipulations.

By removing her to Wilmington and tieing up at a local dock, her fire could be drawn at saving of one or morer tons of coal a day.

The transfer, therefore, was for the purpose of saving needless expense, since the discharge of most of her crew, the saving in coal and in the matter of other supplies saves her owners about $250 a month.

PERSONAL PARAGRAPHS.

—Mr. H. J. Faison, of Faison, N. C., was a guest at the Orton yesterday.

—Mr. J. K. Ohmsby, of Rocky Point, was a visitor in the city yesterday.

—Mr. H. C. McKeel, of Newbern, was an arrival at the Orton yesterday.

—Mr. J. R. Schulken, of Whiteville, was in the city yesterday stopping at the Orton.

—Mr. and Mrs. James Smith of Richmond, were registered at the Orton yesterday.

—Mr. J. A. Barker, of Lumberton, was a visitor in the city yesterday, registering at the Orton.

—Mr. W. A. Sherman, of the office of Markets, United States Department of Agriculture, was a visitor in the city yesterday. Mr. Sherman is on a survey trip of the Southern States, gathering statistics as to the increased acreage in grain crops for next season.

Washington, Jan. 14.—The President today nominated Col. William A. Mann, third infantry, to be brigadier general.

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WILL HARDLY REPEAL LAW

Ordinance Prohibiting Sale From Carts of Fresh Meats in Less Than Quarters is Necessary.

Little probability of the repeal of the city ordinance prohibiting the sale from country carts of fresh meats in less than whole quarters is indicated by the results of the conference at the city hall yesterday afternoon between a committee from City Council, a delegation of farmers and a representative of the Board of Health. The matter was discussed at length, and it is likely that as a result a fixed time and place for the inspection of meats brought to the city from the surrounding country may be established, but the ordinance in question will in all probability remain in force.

After hearing an explanation from Dr. Charles T. Nesbitt, county health officer, who was present as the representative of the Board of Health, as to why such an ordinance is considered by the Board of Health as a measure for health protection, the Councilmanic committee decided that the action upon the ordinance hardly comes within the province of Council, but even were such the case, Council would not act save upon the recommendations Dr. Nesbitt explained that he had not discussed the matter with the Board of Health since the request that the law be repealed was made, but that it was fully covered by the Health regulations adopted by the Board.

Councilman Loughlin, though not a member of the committee, was present and was asked to preside. He stated the object of the meeting, which came about as the result of a protest lodged with City Council at the weekly meeting Wednesday, when a delegation of farmers and business men appeared and asked that the ordinance be repealed. As he brought out at the time ,an act of the Legislature passed in 1881 forbade the city from prohibiting the sale of meat or fish from country carts unless such action was deemed necessary as a measure of health protection, and therefore it had been thought best to call a joint meeting of a committee from Council, the farmers delegation and a representative of the Board of Health, before taking any action on the request of the farmers.

He asked Dr. Nesbitt to present the views of the Board of Health.

Dr. Nesbitt, in reply, said that the Board of Health had never passed an ordinance prohibiting the sale of meats from country carts because the matter had been covered by city ordinances in force practically ever since Wilmington was an English colony. Such an ordinance as that now in force, he said, was necessary as a health measure. He pointed out that meat, after being killed, rapidly loses its power of resisting the attack and growth of bacteria, and that for this reason it is the custom in practically all of the larger slaughtering establishments to place the meat in a cooling room after being killed and cool it with filtered air in order to dry the surface exposure and make it harder for bacteria coming in contact with the surface of the meat to penetrate it. By cutting the meat up into small quantities, such as the farmers desire to retail from their carts, the number of surfaces exposed are increased and the distance from the surface to the interior of each piece of meat is lessened thus making it much easier for bacteria to find lodgment on an exposed surface and penetrate into the meat.

Promiscuous handling of meat, also, he pointed out, subjects it to the danger of bacterial contamination, and meat retailed in small pieces from carts is exposed to such handling. He said that the Board of Health was now endeavoring to get the local market men to refrain from displaying their meats on exposed counters, to lessen the danger of contamination from promiscuous handling.

Another argument against encouraging the sale of meat from country carts in small quantities is that it would open the way for many abuses to be practiced upon the public. Even now, this is done to some extent, he said. There are men who buy cold storage eggs and peddle them about the city from carts as fresh country eggs, also who purchase cold storage meats, take the carcasses to the country and cut them up, bring the meat back to the city and peddle it as fresh slaughtered country meat.

Dr. Nesbitt stated that an inspection of all meat sold on the local market is required by law, and that meat cut up in the country and brought to the city cannot be properly inspected.

In conclusion, he advised the Councilmen that the ordinance in question was purely a health measure, and as such, it was within the province of the Board of Health to say whether or not it shall be repealed.

Dr. T. B. Carroll, meat and milk inspector, who was present, also called the attention of the Councilmanic committee to the fact that there are local men who make a practice of going into the country, purchasing live cattle and hogs, slaughtering them and bringing the meat to the city and selling it wholesale. They are not paying a license to do this, he said, though he thought they were liable for such license. Members of Council agreed with him, and it was decided to have the police department look into the matter.

Mr. J. P. Herring, the county farm demonstrator, who appeared with the delegation of farmers, said that even if the law relative to the sale of meat in less than quarters was not repealed, the farmers are handicapped in their efforts to dispose of their meat products at wholesale because of the difficulty of getting it inspected, on account of the fact that there is no stated time nor place for such inspection.

Dr. Carroll replied that at one time there was an ordinance fixing a stated time and place for inspection, but that it had been repealed on account of the fact that market men in the outlying sections of the city claimed that it worked a hardship on them to bring their meat downtown for inspection.

Dr. Nesbitt thought that this ordinance ought to be put back in force. On suggestion of City Attorney E. K. Bryan it was finally decided to let Dr. Carroll and Mr. Herring get together and work out the problem and report back to Council. It will probably be so arranged that inspection may be made at three or four different places in the city every day, a definite hour being fixed for each place.

GOVERNOR'S BROTHER COMING

Will Conduct Services at Calvary and Southside Churches Tomorrow.

Rev. Braxton Craig, of Monroe, brother of Governor Locke Craig, a well known Baptist evangelist and preacher, will preach at Calvary Baptist church tomorrow morning and at Southside Baptist church tomorrow night. He is an eloquent and forceful speaker and a deeply consecrated man and will no doubt be heard by large congregations at both services.

He was for many years an evangelist for the North Carolina Baptist State Convention and in this capacity conducted services throughout the State. He has recently been doing special work for the Southern Baptist Convention.

He comes to Wilmington to conduct services at the invitation of the pastors. The public is cordially invited to hear him.

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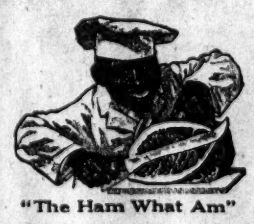

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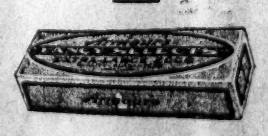

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Train leaving Wrightsville (westbound) at 7:25 A. M., will leave at 7:20 A. M.

Train leaving Winter Park (westbound) at 7:36 A. M., will leave at 7:31 A. M.

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FINANCIAL AND COMMERCIAL

COTTON SHOWS FIRMNESS

March Contracts Sold to Within Two Points of Recent High Mark—Seven to 12 Points Advance.

New York, Jan. 15.—Cotton showed renewed firmness today with March contracts selling up to within two points of the recent high record, and with the general list closing steady at a net gain of 7 to 12 points as compared with last night's close.

The market opened firm at an advance of 2 to 7 points in response to relatively firm cables and private advices attributing the strength in Liverpool to a better trade in Manchester and increased selling by spinners. There was some further selling here for Southern account, but the offerings were not heavy enough to suggest any general weakness in the Southern spot situation. After showing a net advance of about 10 to 11 points, there were moderate reactions under realizing and continued trade or hedging selling with the active months selling off 6 or 7 points.

The pressure, however, was at no time aggressive, while there appeared to be a broadening of Western and local investment buying on the decline with prices reaching the best point of the day in the late trading and closing within a point or two of the top.

Spot cotton quiet; middling uplands 8.10; no sales. Cotton futures closed steady.

	Open	High	Low	Close
January		7.95	7.90	7.93
March	8.12	8.25	8.12	8.23
May	8.38	8.45	8.34	8.43
July	8.56	8.62	8.52	8.60
October	8.77	8.85	8.73	8.82

Sloss Shef. Steel & Iron	27
Southern Pacific	85¼
Southern Railway	15⅝
Southern Railway pfd	58
Tennessee Copper	31½
Texas Company	134
Texas & Pacific	12¾
Union Pacific	119⅛
United States Steel	51½
United States Steel pfd	108
Utah Copper	51¾
Virginia, Caro. Chem.	18
Western Union	60¾

PORT MOVEMENT.

New Orleans—Middling 7¾; receipts 9,009; exports 5,738; sales 4,650; stock 360,658.

Galveston—Middling 8; receipts 22,666; exports 25,888; sales 1,899; stock 555,802.

Mobile—Middling 7½; receipts 243; exports 3,873; sales 800; stock 53,013.

Savannah—Middling 7⅝; receipts 13,804; exports 2,657; sales 3,692; stock 321,923.

Charleston—Middling 7⅝; receipts 1,784; sales 100; stock 139,524.

Wilmington—Middling 7⅝; receipts 1,349; stock 46,534.

Texas City—Receipts 4,315; stock 64,470.

Norfolk—Middling 7¾; receipts 3,156; sales 1,327; stock 5,968.

Baltimore—Middling 8; receipts 2,481; stock 8,965.

Boston—Middling 8.05; receipts 233; stock 1,974.

Philadelphia—Middling 8.35; stock 87,297.

New York—Middling 8.10; exports 2,323; stock 174,952.

Minor Ports—Receipts 22,348.

Total today—Receipts 81,292; exports 46,479; stock 1,821,080.

Total for week—Receipts 485,862; exports 241,072.

Total for season—Receipts 5,572,685; exports 3,086,029.

Interior Movement.

Houston—Middling 7 15-16; receipts 22,754; shipments 18,960; sales 3,283; stock 203,458.

Memphis—Middling 7½; receipts 2,727; shipments 6,249; sales 4,700; stock 261,139.

Augusta—Middling 7⅞; receipts 1,448; shipments 2,280; sales 2,484; stock 150,589.

St. Louis—Middling 7½; receipts 4,089; shipments 4,614; stock 37,487.

Cincinnati—Receipts 1,885; shipments 1,037; stock 9,278.

Little Rock—Middling 7 5-16; receipts 1,613; shipments 957; stock 60,106.

Dallas—Middling 7⅝; sales 8,767.

Total today—Receipts 34,516; shipments 35,097; stock 722,057.

LIVERPOOL COTTON MARKET.

Liverpool, Jan. 15.—Spot cotton steady; good middling 5.12; middling 4.80; low middling 4.33. Sales 8,000; speculation and export 800; receipts 27,651.

Futures steady. May and June 4.66⅝; July and August 4.72½; October and November 4.82½; January and February 4.87.

Total forwarded during week to mills 125,000 bales, of which 114,000 were American; stock 932,000; American 659,000; imports 176,000; American 153,000; exports 21,000.

NAVAL STORES MARKET.

Savannah, Jan. 15.—Turpentine firm, 44¼ to 44½; sales 140; receipts 229; shipments 277; stocks 35,773.

Rosin—Firm; sales 545; receipts 603; shipments 2,104; stocks 144,304. Quote: A, B, 3.20; C, D, E, 3.30; F, G, 3.30 to 3.32½; H, 3.32½; I, 3.35 to 3.40; K, 3.95; M, 4.40; N, 5.30; WG, 5.70; WW, 5.80.

NEW ORLEANS COTTON

Market Displayed Marked Steadiness Although Little Business Done.

New Orleans, Jan. 15.—The cotton market displayed marked steadiness today although no great amount of business was done and offerings were scanty. Buying came in steadily and much of it apparently from outside traders who though that the great advance in grain prices were causing heavy planting of grain in the South this spring at the expense of cotton. The market closed within a point of the best, at a net rise of 13 points.

The large forwardings of cotton to mills from Liverpool, reports from Manchester of a better business in cloths and continued good reports from Southern spot centers were the bullish features of the session. Early in the day there was considerable bearish talk about liquidation of long cotton but prices were not depressed below the level of yesterday's close.

Spot cotton steady. Sales on the spot 2,250 bales, to arrive 2,400.

Cotton futures closing: January 7.70; March 7.96; May 8.13; July 8.34; October 8.62.

WEEKLY COTTON REVIEW

After Making New High Record for the Season Market Met Resistence—Fell, But Recovers.

New York, Jan. 15.—After making new high records for the season early in the past week with active months selling more than $6.00 a bale above the low level of last month, the cotton market encountered increased offerings. There appeared to be more selling by trade interests and houses with Southern connections which led to the belief that hedges were being sold against spot supplies in the interior. This imparted quite a reactionary tone to the sentiment of local traders.

Reactions of about $1.00 per bale have been followed by renewed firmness during today's trading, however, while investment demand again became more active on the failure of hedge selling to become either urgent or general, reports of an improving demand in the domestic goods market, and further advices from the South of a much reduced crop next season. The census figures on supply and distribution for December showed increasing consumption by domestic mills as well as relatively small supplies in the hands of manufacturers at the reginning of the year leading to predictions of a steady demand from that source during the bale of the season, while the continued heavy movement to the ports suggested continued activity on the part of exporters.

Clearances of 229,093 bales for the week against 294,303 last year, fell rather short of expectations, but fluctuations in the exports are attributed largely to the uncertain supply of ocean tonnage.

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List of Vessels in Port at Wilmington, North Carolina.

Steamers.

Str. Nicaria (Ger.) 4,289 tons, Hollasch, Heide & Co.

Str. Kiel (Ger) 2,872 tons, Hinke, at Southport, Heide & Co.

WILMINGTON MARKETS.

STAR OFFICE, Jan. 15.

SPIRITS TURPENTINE—Steady, 44c.

ROSIN — Steady. Large, $3.05; small, $2.95.

TAR — Firm, $1.80 per barrel; per gallon, 8c.

CRUDE TURPENTINE — Firm, $3.00 per barrel for soft; $3.00 per barrel for virgin; $2.00 per barrel for hard.

Quotations same day last year — Spirits turpentine, steady, 44½c; rosin, firm, $3.75; tar, firm, $2.50-10; crude turpentine, $3.00; $3.00; $2.00.

Spirits Turpentine	3
Rosin	33
Tar	307
Crude Turpentine	(—)

Receipts same day last year, spirits turpentine, 2 casks; rosin, 2 barrels; tar, 4 barrels; crude turpentine, 4 barrels.

COTTON MARKET.

Market — Spot, middling, steady, at 7⅝c.; last year, nominal.

Receipts 1,150 bales; same day last year 1,459 bales.

Total receipts since September 1st, 102,989 bales.

Total receipts to same day last year, 325,658 bales.

BY RIVER AND RAIL.

Receipts of Cotton and Naval Stores at This Port Yesterday.

Wilmington, N. C., Jan. 15, 1915.

Atlantic Coast Line—1,003 bales cotton; 78 barrels tar.

Seaboard Air Line—39 bales cotton; 1 cask spirits turpentine; 17 barrels rosin; 122 barrels tar.

Clyde Line—108 bales cotton.

Str. Thelma—2 casks spirits turpentine; 16 barrels rosin; 107 barrels tar.

Total—1,150 bales cotton; 3 casks spirits turpentine; 33 barrels rosin; 307 barrels tar.

PRODUCE MARKETS.

(Quoted by W. J. Meredith, Jan. 15.)

CORN—$2.10 per sack.

POTATOES — Irish potatoes, 80@85c. per bu. Sweet potatoes, yams, 75@80c. per bu.

BEEF—Native dressed, 7@9c.; good sales.

PORK—Small, 8@10c per lb.

SHEEP—No sale. Lambs, $1.50 to $2.50 per head; very dull; no sale.

WOOL—Burry, 14 to 15c.; black wool, 16 to 17c.; first-class white wool, 21c. free, 20@21c. per lb.

HIDES—Green salt, 13c.; dry flints, 17c. per lb.; dull.

NORTH CAROLINA BACON—Hams, 22c; sides and shoulders, 15c lb.; very dull, no sales.

BEESWAX—Firm, 28c. per lb.

POULTRY — Chickens, grown, 40@45c. Spring, 15@30c per head; very dull. Turkeys, 15@16 2-3 cents per lb.; very dull.

EGGS—26@27c per doz., very dull; price expected to go lower.

WILMINGTON PEANUT MARKET.

(Quoted by J. S. Funchess & Co.)

Wilmington, Jan. 15.—North Carolina Peanuts—Market, weaker; new crop, fancy hand picked, 70c; No. 1, machine picked, 60c per bu.

Virginia Peanuts—Steady, New crop Jumboes, 60c; fancy hand picked, 55c; No. 1, machine picked, 50c per bu.

Spanish Peanuts—Steady. New crop, No. 1, small, machine picked, 75c.; Jumboes, 65c. per bu. All receipts, heavier.

PETERSBURG PEANUT MARKET.

(Reporter by Rodgers, Plummer & Co., Inc.)

Petersburg, Va., Jan. 4.—Spanish: Farmers' stock, market steady, 85c per bu.

Virginiass: Farmers' stock, market steady. Fancy Jumbo, 3½c per lb.; Fancy handpicked, 3¼c per lb.; Extra Prime, 3c to 3¼c per lb.; Shelling stock, 2¼c to 2¾c per lb.

THE DRY GOODS MARKET.

New York, Jan. 15.—Cotton goods were more active today. Sales of print cloth yarn goods for early and late delivery were large. Wool markets were strong. Silks continued to show improvement in demand.

IMPROVEMENT IN STOCKS

Considerable Recovery from Inertia of the Early Part of Week Is Noted on Exchange

New York, Jan, 15—The stock market made considerable recovery today from its inertia of the early part of the week. Dealings were larger and the movement broader. Standard shares made little progress, however, and were under pressure throughout the session. This restraint was ascribed to foreign sources, which are believed to have renewed their efforts at liquidation.

Most of the prominent international issues, particularly the transcontinentals, the metal stocks and United States Steel reflected this condition, Canadian Pacific being the only notable exception. That stock became very active in the later trading, rising almost three points from its early low quotation.

Important gains otherwise were once more confined chiefly to the special class of stocks, in some of which were evidences of pool manipulation. American Linseed common and preferred were materially affected by the high prices quoted for the raw product. American Tobacco, Consolidated Gas and the automobile and allied issues rose from one to three points and there was a five point gain in Virginia Carolina Chemical preferred. Western Union's continued strength was explained by its very favorable annual statement.

Forecasts of another large cash gain by local banks were accompanied by a reduction in sixty and ninety day loans to 3 and 3 1-4 per cent. all longer loans being made on a 3 1-2 per cent. basis. Foreign exchange was higher on cessation of selling of London bills. New York and Philadelpha offered lower terms for prime commercial paper.

Present indications suggest another huge excess of exports over imports for the current week. Bank clearings disclosed more normal conditions at leading reserve centers.

Bonds also broadened with an increased demand at higher prices for various convertible issues, including Chesapeake and Ohio, Baltimore and Ohio, Southern Pacific and Missouri Pacific.

Total sales par value agregated $2,427,000. United States government bonds were unchanged on call.

New York Stock List.

Amalgamatedd Copper	55⅝
American Agricultural	49½
American Can	30⅝
American Car & Foundry	47⅝
American Cotton Oil	44½
American Smelting	60⅜
American Snuff	142
American Sugar	104
American Tel. & Tel.	118¼
American Tobacco	224½
Atchison	94¾
Atlantic Coast Line	100
Baltimore & Ohio	71⅝
Canadian Pacific	160¾
Central Leather	35½
Chesapeake & Ohio	43
Chicago, Mil. & St. Paul	88¼
Erie	22⅞
General Electric	144¾
Great Northern pfd	114½
Illinois Central	106
Interborough Met. pfd	50
Kansas City Southern	22¼
Lehigh Valley	134
Louisville & Nashville	115¾
Liggett & Myers	209
Lorrillard Company	169
Missouri, Kansas & Texas	9¾
Missouri Pacific	5⅞
Mex. Petroleum	54¼
New York Central	88⅝
N. Y., N. H. & Hartford	53¼
Norfolk & Western	101½
Northern Pacific	101⅝
Pennsylvania	105⅝
Reading	147¾
Rep. Iron ⅞ Steel	21
Rep. Iron & Steel pfd	76⅛
Rock Island Co.	⅞
Rock Island Co. pfd	1⅞
St. L. & San Fran. 2d pfd	2¼
Seaboard Air Line	13
Seaboard Air Line pfd	38

HESTER'S WEEKLY STATEMENT.

Comparisons are to actual dates not to close of corresponding weeks. In thousands bales:

In sight for week, 615.

In sight for same seven days last year, 383.

In sight for the month, 1,148.

In sight same date last year, 794.

In sight for season, 8,985.

In sight same date last year, 11,271.

Port receipts for season, 5,578.

Port receipts same date last year, 7,837.

Overland to mills and Canada for season, 534.

Overland same date last year, 711.

Southern mill takings for season, 1,744.

Mill takings same date last year, 1,965.

Interior stocks in excess of August 1st, 1,134.

Interior stocks last year 758.

Foreign exports for week, 241.

Exports same seven days last year, 800.

Exports for season, 3,086.

Exports same date last year, 5,878.

Northern spinners' takings and Canada for week, 95.

Spinners' takings same seven days last year, 62.

Spinners' takings for season, 1,372.

Spinners' takings to same date last year, 1,735.

World's Visible Supply.

Total visible this week, 6,256.

Total visible last week, 6,009.

Total visible same date last year, 6,108.

Of this the total American this week, 4,972.

Total American last week, 4,796.

Total American last year, 4,547.

All other kinds, this week, 1,283.

All other kinds last week, 1,212.

All other kinds last year, 1,561.

Visible in the United States this week, 3,069.

Visible in United States this date last year, 1,915.

Visible in other countries this week, 3,187.

Visible in other countries this date last year, 4,194.

NEW YORK PRODUCE MARKET.

New York, Jan. 15.—Raw sugar steary, unchanged; centrifugal 4.04; molasses 3.27; refined steady.

Butter—Unsettled.

Cheese—Firm and unchanged.

Coffee—Spot steady; Rio No. 7, 7⅜; Santos No. 4, 9¼.

THE WEATHER.

United States Department of Agriculture—Weather Bureau.

January 16, 1915.

Meteorological data for the 24 hours ending at 8 P. M. yesterday:

Temperature at 8 A. M. 40 degrees; at 8 P. M. 51 degrees; maximum 64 degrees; minimum 40 degrees; mean 52 degrees.

Rainfall for the day, .00; rainfall for the month, to date, 1.75 inches.

Stage of water in Cape Fear river, at Fayetteville, at 8 A. M., yesterday, 32.1 feet and falling.

THE WEATHER.

For North Carolina—Fair Saturday; Sunday partly cloudy in east, rain and colder in west.

The Port Calendar, Jan. 16, 1915.

Sun rises	7:17 A. M.
Sun sets	5:27 P. M.
Day's length	10 hrs. 10 min.

THE TIDES.

	High water. A.M.	P.M.	Low water. A.M.	P.M.
Wilmington	10:29	10:36	5:18	5:50
Southport	8:26	8:43	2:05	2:48
Masonboro Inlet	8:15	8:32	1:45	2:28

WEATHER BUREAU REPORTS.

January 15, 1915.

STATIONS:	Weather at 8 P. M.	Temperature Highest today.	Temperature Lowest last night.	Precipitation at 8 P. M.
Abilene	cldy	74	44	.0
Asheville	clear	60	38	.04
Atlanta	clear	64	42	.0
Augusta	clear	66	38	.0
Birm'ham	clear	64	42	.0
Boston	foggy	38	32	.0
Charleston	clear	62	44	.0
Charlotte	clear	62	40	.0
Chicago	clear	38	30	.0
Galveston	clear	64	56	.0
Jaxville	pt cldy	74	42	.0
Memphis	cldy	64	44	.0
Mobile	clear	66	48	.0
Montgomery	clear	68	50	.0
N. Orleans	clear	70	52	.0
New York	clear	48	36	.0
Oklahoma	clear	64	42	.0
Polestine	pt cldy	70	48	.0
Pittsburg	clear	40	32	.02
Raleigh	clear	64	40	.0
Savannah	clear	66	44	.0
Shreveport	clear	66	42	.0
St. Louis	clear	54	38	.0
Washington	clear	52	36	.01

LIVE STOCK MARKET

Chicago, Jan. 15.—Hogs firm; bulk 6.65 to 6.85; light 6.55 to 6.90; Mixed 6.60 to 6.95; heavy 6.50 to 6.90; rough 6.50 to 6.60; pigs 5.25 tot 6.75.

Cattle—Steady; native steers 5.65 to 9.40; Western 4.85 to 7.50; cows and heifers 3.25 to 8.10; calves 7.50 to 10.50.

Sheep—Weak; sheep 5.50 to 6.00; yearlings 6.40 to 7.15; lambs 6.50 to 8.15.

COTTON SEED OIL MARKET.

New York, Jan. 15.—Cotton seed oil was firmer today on a revival of export business, advancing crude markets and fresh buying for long account, helped by the strength in grain. Final prices were 7 to 11 points net higher. Sales 17,900 barrels.

The market closed irregular. Spot 6.35 to 6.60; January 6.38 to 6.45; February 6.50 to 6.55; March 6.63 to 6.64; April 6.70 to 6.75; May 6.88 to 6.85; June 6.90 to 7.00; July 7.03 to 7.05; August 7.14 to 7.15.

FINANCIAL MARKET.

New York, Jan. 15.—Mercantile paper 3½ to 4; sterling exchange firm, 60 day bills 4.8150; for cables 4.8435; for demand 4.8385. Bar silver 49. Mexican dollars 37½. Government bonds steady. Railroad bonds strong. Time loans soft, 60 days 3; 90 days 3¼; six months 3¼ to 3½; call money steady, 2½.

BRADSTREET'S BUSINESS REVIEW

Trade and Industrial Quarters Awakening to Improved Conditions.

New York, Jan. 15.—Bradstreets will say tomorrow:

"Conditions in trade and industrial quarters are awakening to improved impulses; while confidence is replacing uncertainty. As yet actual business has not gained the pace displayed by the spread of optimism, orders being of the steady, progressive type, rather than spirited. However, conservative improvement is reflected in a number of lines, and, while orders calling for immediate shipment continue to dominate, there is more disposition to pin faith to the future.

"Bank clearing for the week were $3,079,704,000, a decrease of 10.7 per cent. from last year.

"Wheat exports were 9,129,199 bushels against 6,718,289 bushels a year ago.

"Failures in the United States were 606 compared with 413 last year. In Canada 62 compared with 61 last year."

EUROPEAN DEMAND GROWING

But Wheat Farmers Show No Sign of Willingness to Sell Reserves.

Chicago, Jan. 15.—European demand, with no sign that American farmers were ready to part with reserves sent wheat up again today. Corn also was affected. The May option commanded a phenomenal value, $1.45¼ a bushel. Closing prices were unsettled at 1¼c to 2¼c above last night. Corn finished 3⅛ to 3¼c up; oats at a gain of 1⅛ to 1¼, and provisions unchanged to 32½c higher.

Grain and provisions closed:

Wheat—May 1.45; July 1.27⅛.

Corn—May 78; July 79.

Oats—May 56¾; July 54¼.

Pork—January 18.35; May 18.97.

Lard—January 10.42; May 10.70.

Ribs—January 9.80; May 10.22.

Cash Grain:

Wheat—No. 2 red 1.43¼ to 1.45¾; No. 2 hard 1.42¾ to 1.45½.

Corn—No. 2 yellow 71¼ to 73¼

Oats—Standard 53¾ to 54⅛.

NEW CORPORATIONS

Three of Them Chartered by Secretary of State Yesterday

(Special Star Correspondence)

Raleigh, N. C., Jan. 15.—Charters were issued today for the Icard Manufacturing Co., of Icard, Burke county, capital $125,000 authorized and $2,800 subscribed by D. B. Mull, Stanley Berry and A. L. Watson, of Connelly Springs, for a general textle manufacturing business.

The Miller Company inc., of Reidsville, capital $25,000 authorized and $9,000 subscribed by A. G. Daniel and others.

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EASTBOUND: Leave Front and Princess for Winter Park	Leave Front and Princess for Wrightsville	Leave Front and Princess for Beach	WESTBOUND: Leave Winter Park for Wilmington	Leave Wrightsville for Wilmington	Leave for for Wilmington
.....	.....	.....	a6:36 A. M.	a6:15 A. M.	.....
a6:30 A. M.	a6:30 A. M.	a6:30 A. M.	a7:26 A. M.	a7:25 A. M.	.....
.....	.....	.....	b7:56 A. M.	b7:45 A. M.	b7:35 A. M.
6:55 A. M.	6:55 A. M.	b6:55 A. M.	a8:51 A. M.	a7:50 A. M.	a7:40 A. M.
a8:00 A. M.	a8:00 A. M.	.....	a8:41 A. M.	a8:30 A. M.	.....
8:30 A. M.	8:30 A. M.	8:30 A. M.	9:36 A. M.	9:25 A. M.	9:15 A. M.
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10:00 A. M.	10:00 A. M.	10:00 A. M.	11:06 A. M.	11:55 A. M.	10:45 A. M.
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SPECIAL FOR SUNDAYS.
Leave Front and Princess streets every half hour from 2:00 to 5:00 P. M.
Leave Beach every half hour from 2:45 to 5:45 P. M.
a—Daily, except Sundays.
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ATLANTIC COAST LINE
Arrivals and Departures of Trains at Wilmington. Effective Nov. 23, 1914.
Time Not Guaranteed.

DEPARTURES:	TO AND FROM	ARRIVALS:
No. 90. 3:40 A.M. Monday morning only.	Goldsboro, Richmond, Norfolk and Eastern North Carolina points. Connects at Goldsboro with Southern Railway and Norfolk Southern Railroad.	No. 91. 1:15 A.M. Sunday morning (Saturday night) only.
No. 51. * 5:25 A.M.	Chadbourn, Conway, Florence, Charleston, Savannah, Jacksonville, Tampa, Ft. Myers, Columbia and Asheville. Pullman Sleeping Cars between Wilmington and Columbia, open to receive passengers at Wilmington at and after 10:00 P. M., and may be occupied until 7:00 A. M.	No. 50. *12:45 A.M.
No. 64. ‖ 5:50 A.M.	Jacksonville, Newbern and Intermediate stations.	No. 65. ‖ 6:15 P.M.
No. 48. * 7:30 A.M.	Goldsboro, Richmond, Norfolk and Washington, connecting at Rocky Mount with New York trains with Pullman Service.	No. 49. * 6:05 P.M.
No. 53. * 8:45 A.M.	Solid train between Wilmington and Mt. Airy, via Fayetteville and Sanford.	No. 52. * 8:05 P.M.
No. 62. * 3:25 P.M.	Jacksonville, Newbern and Intermediate stations.	No. 63. *12:50 P.M.
No. 58. * 5:45 P.M.	Chadbourn, Florence, Augusta, Atlanta and the West. Charleston, Savannah and all Florida Points. Columbia, Asheville and the West. All Steel Pullman Sleeping Cars between Wilmington, Augusta and Atlanta, and between Florence and Columbia.	No. 54. *12:50 P.M.
No. 89. ‖ 6:30 P.M.	Fayetteville and Intermediate stations.	No. 60. ‖10:15 A.M.
No. 42. * 6:45 P.M.	Goldsboro, Richmond, Norfolk, Washington and New York. Pullman Broiler, Buffet Sleeping Cars, between Wilmington and Washington, connecting with New York trains; also Pullman Sleeping Cars between Wilmington and Norfolk.	No. 41. * 9:45 A.M.

* Daily. ‖ Daily except Sunday. ‖ Tuesdays, Thursday and Saturdays.
For folders, reservations, rates of fares, etc., call 'phone 160.
W. J. CRAIG, Passenger Traffic Manager. T. C. WHITE, General Passenger Agent.
WILMINGTON, N. C.

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—from—
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TAMPA, FLA $22.30
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For schedules, reservations and any further information, call 'phone 160, or apply to C. M. ACKER, Ticket Agent of the
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U. S. Court Sale.
Of the Haar Stock of Dry Goods and Fixtures continues until sold. Court appraisers have reduced prices below wholesale cost. (advertisement.)—tf

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Bulletin of Special Round Trip Rates in Effect from Wilmington:

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PENSACOLA, FLA $23.35
On sale February 9 to 15th, limited returning, Midnight, February 26th. Extension of ticket until March 15th may be secured on payment of $1.00.
NEW ORLEANS, LA $26.75
On sale February 9 to 15th, limited returning, Midnight, February 26th. Extension of ticket until March 15th may be secured on payment of $1.00.
TAMPA, FLA $22.30
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H. E. PLEASANTS,
T. P. A., Wilmington, N. C.
JOHN T. WEST,
D. P. A., Raleigh, N. C.

Information regarding our 1915 Christmas Savings Club cheerfully given by an officer of this bank. American National Bank.—Advertisement. tf

TENNESSEE ONCE MORE IN DEMOCRATIC RANKS

Thomas C. Rye Inaugurated Governor of State.

Legislature is Overwhelmingly Democratic and Factions of Party in State Reunited—Prohibition Laws Must Be Enforced.

Nashville, Tenn., Jan. 15.—With the inauguration of Thomas C. Rye as Governor, Tennessee today returned to Democratic rule. The Governor-elect took the oath of office at noon, succeeding Ben. W. Hooper, Republican, who had been Governor since January 25, 1911. With the legislature overwhelmingly Democratic and a Democratic Governor, the restoration of the party is complete.

The inauguration took place in the Ryman auditorium, Chief Just M. M. Neil administering the oath. In spite of inclement weather a large crowd witnessed the exercises. Governor Hooper did not attend. Political leaders from all parts of the state came to Nashville for the event.

In his inaugural address Governor Rye promised enforcement of the prohibition laws, saying in this connection:

"As a party we stand pledged to enforce the laws and this must be done if the enactment of such laws can bring about that result. This pledge to the people should be made good, not merely because we are committed to the policy of law enforcement as a party but for a higher reason and that is because it is right and I trust and believe that we have the courage to dare to do right."

Other matters he urged were revision of the tax system, revision of the laws governing the expenditure of the school funds, more progressive management of the charitable and penal institutions, liberality towards the ex-Confederates, effective highway system and school improvement. He expressed hope that plans would be perfected for erection of a monument to the Southern women.

MOTHERS' CLUB MEETING

Interesting Session at Masonboro School House Yesterday.

A well attended and enthusiastic meeting of the Mothers' Club of the Masonboro School district was held in the school house yesterday afternoon. Mrs. A. Hewlett, the president presided, and a most interesting programme was carried.

An interesting paper on Mother's clubs, read by Mrs. W. L. Parsley, who has always taken a deep interest in the work and the county, was heard with pleasure by the members. Instrumental music by Miss Williams, one of the teachers, and Mrs. Teachey also afforded much pleasure.

Dr. John Thomas, assistant county health officer, addressed the meeting, by invitation, on the subject of health and sanitation, showing how the influence of proper sanitation in the schools radiates through the homes of the pupils and elevates the standards of the whole community.

Mr. B. Solomon, a member of the Board of Education, and Prof. Washington Catlett, superintendent of county schools, who happened to be passing, paid a visit. They were called upon and made short talks.

Mr. Solomon expressed himself as being well pleased with the efforts of the club and spoke encouragingly of the school and its work.

The club is doing a most excellent service in building up the community.

INSTALLATION OF OFFICERS

Feature of Meeting of Hanover Lodge, I. O. O. F., Last Night.

Officers for the ensuing year were installed at the regular meeting of Hanover Lodge, No .145, I. O. O. F., last night. Deputy Grand Master M. Hewett presided, assisted by Past Grands C. R. Spooner, P. A. Bounds, R. P. Johnson and A. F. Williams. The new officers are as follows:

N. G.—L. F. Congleton.
V. G.—R. L. Godbold.
Recording Secretary—John E. Wood.
Financial Secretary—W. H. Howell.
R. S. to N. G.—H. C. Baird.
L. S. to N. G.—C. M. Parker.
R. S. to V. G.—Merton Reese.
L. S. to V. G.—R. P. Carter.
Warden—R. P. Johnson.
Conductor—M. Hewett.
R. S. S.—A. F. Williams.
L. S. S.—J. C. Wallace.
O. G.—U. S. Mintz.
I. G.—C. W. Stewart.
Chaplain—P. A. Bounds.
S. P. G.—C. T. Johnson.
Organist—C. L. Skipper.
Trustees—S. S. Matthews, C. R. Spooner and M. Hewett.
General Relief Committee—John E. Wood.

TO AID RED CROSS WORK

Part of Proceeds of Hydro-Aeroplane Exhibit to be Donated

The Price Aviation Company, which is to give an exhibition with Wright hydro-aeroplanes at Sunset Park January 21, 22 and 23, has arranged to donate part of the proceeds from the gate receipts Friday and Saturday to the local Red Cross Society, to be used in its work.

The machine has already been shipped from the Wright factory at Dayton, Ohio., and is expected to arrive here in a few days. Aviator Howard M. Rinehart, who is well remembered in Wilmington, is also on his way to the city, and is expected to arrive today or tomorrow.

The flights to be made will be over the Cape Fear river and some of the features planned will be the dropping of bombs at a fixed target in the river.

This will be the first exhibition here of the hydro-aeroplane, though several exhibitions with biplanes have been given in Wilmington and at Wrightsville Beach.

C. C. BELLAMY, ESQ., TRUSTEE

Named by Clerk of Court in Lieu of Mr. L. W. Baggett

Chesley C. Bellamy, Esq., was appointed yesterday by Maj. W. N. Harriss, clerk of Superior court, as trustee for the firm of Baggett Bros, which made an assignment last week. Mr. Bellamy is appointed in lieu of Mr. L. W. Baggett, who was named as trustee in the deed of trust, and is upon petition of a number of the creditors of the firm. It was stated that the creditors could not reach an agreement with Mr. Baggett as to the bond he should give, and it was for this reason that they asked the appointment of another trustee.

BAXTERS' LOSE FIRST GAME

Y. M. C. A. League Leaders Downed by Jacobi Team—Mill Men Win Another From Druggists.

Last night in the Y. M. C. A. gym a large crowd of basketball fans saw the strong Baxters basketball team go down in their first defeat of the season at the hands of the Jacobi hardware men by a 14 to 12 score. The National Woolen Mills team won their game from Elvington & Mintz by a 23 to 11 score.

The first game in the Commercial League basketball games last night was played between the Medicine Men and the Millers, and the latter succeeded in making it their third game won and a 500 per centage in the standing. It was the fastest game of the two and for the first five minutes the ball was passed and passed from one player to another from one team to a member of the other team and never in all that time was a shot at the basket allowed, so close was the guarding of all the players, but after that time the little fellows got started and began to roll that ball into the basket again and again until at the end of the first half the score stood at eight to 2 in favor of the Millers. Justice had his lucky night, he having caged the ball six times making 12 points for his team, and Le Gwin, playing at guard succeeded in scoring three field goals, evening up with his forward Captain Westbrook.

Lineup:

Nat. Woolen Mills.		Elv. & Mts.
Justice	F	(c) Westbrook
		Mitchell
Davis, N. (c)	F	Housten
Lewis Bob	C	Fillyaw
LeGwin	G	Solomon
Rennie	G	Happy Lewis

Score:

National Woolen Mills	23
Elvington & Mintz	11

Referee, J. P. Seitters; scorer, W. L. Hellen; timekeeper, Charles Johnson.

The second game was between Baxters, the league leaders, and Jacobi th runners-up, and was won by the Jacobi team by the lowest score that the Baxters have ever been held to in the series of this Commercial League games. It was a battle royal from start to finish, each team on the alert at all times and fast tight guarding was a feature. Captain Hines got the field goal that decided the game in the last half minute of play, the score before that time standing a tie to 12 to 12. For the winners Captain Hines and C. Sheperd were the heaviest scoring men, and for the losers Farrar made all the points but two, and those Hussey scored on a field goal. McIntyre failed to score, although he had many open shots. Captain Hanson, of Baxters, was not in the game last night.

Lineup:

Baxters.		Jacobi.
Hussey	F	Farmer
McIntyre	F	Davis, K.
Hines (c.)	C	Farrar
Shepherd	G	Walker
Cotchett	G	Stein

Score:

Jacobi	14
Baxters	12

Officials same as above game.

Commercial League Standing.

	Won.	Lost.	Pct.
Baxters	5	1	.833
Jacobi	4	2	.666
Nat. Woolen Mills	3	3	.500
Elvington & Mintz	0	6	.000

COUNCIL DECLINES SEPARATE COMMISSION

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lor's letter to the city attorney, Mr. Taylor, for the members of the committee present, formally withdraw the committee's proposal involving the increase in the public debt, on the ground that they could not afford to recommend so large an appropriation of money without having some control of its expenditure, and remanded the matter to the Council to deal with in their judgment.

Mr. Taylor emphasized that while the committee were not willing to assume the responsibility without power, that they, as individuals, would be glad to render any assistance in the way of counsel that city authorities might desire, but could not consent to bear any official relation to the matter.

Mr. McQueen said it was his understanding at the conference that the notes and bonds were not to be issued unless the proposed commission requested it. He said further, that, of course, the citizens' committee did not want to dictate to the Council, but that since they are not to be called upon to say about the issuing of the bonds then they did not want to to be understood as endorsing the proposition to issue bonds. However, he thought Mr. Loughlin right in his position.

WANTS CITY MANAGER

Mass Meeting Favors It—Committee Appointed.

(Special Star Correspondence.)

Greenville, N. C., Jan. 14.—In response to a call authorized by the city board, a number of citizens met in the court house to consider the plan of and for a city manager for Greenville. Mayor J. R. James was master of ceremonies and went into details of the plan, as in force at Stanton, Va., and some other cities. After discussion and expression by several present, a committee of three, Messrs. Albion Dunn, E. G. Flanagan and B. W. Moseley, were appointed to look further into the matter and report as early as possible that action may be taken in time to get a bill providing for it through the Legislature.

The plan outlined would be to employ a competent man for his entire time to look after the town's interests. He would be city clerk, tax collector, in charge of all improvement work and look after the city's interests after the manner of a cashier of a bank. He would be bonded and given full charge, the aldermen simply performing their legislative functions. He might have judicial authority and try offenders.

Seabright, N. J., Jan. 14.—A record high tide swept almost unpeded through Seabright streets today, wrecking cottages already weakened by previous inundations.

The new bulkhead installed after last year's disastrous tides was swept away.

Chicago, Jan. 14.—Henry O'Day manager of the Chicago Nationals last year, probably will resume his old position as National League umpire, he told friends today.

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SUNDAY SERVICES

The church is a lighthouse illuminating the way to Eternity. Without the light it gives, shoals and rocks will be encountered, and shipwreck made inevitable.

There is nothing more certain than death, and we all have an instinct of the life hereafter. As we prepare here so shall we realize in the coming beyond.

This is the true philosophy of life and explains the real mission of the church. Be sure that you are true to your best instincts when you think of the church. Go to it, and learn, and think.

St. Andrew's Presbyterian church, Fourth and Campbell streets, Rev. Dr. A. D. McClure, pastor—Sabbath services. Preaching at 11 A. M. and 8 P. M. by the pastor. Sabbath school at 3:30 P. M. The Covenanters and Miriams meet at 10:30 A. M. Junior C. E. at 4:30 P. M. The Senior C. E. at 7:15 P. M. Prayer meeting Wednesday at 8 P. M. Seats free; a welcome to all.

Rev. Dr. A. D. McClure expects to preach in Castle Haynes tomorrow at 3:30 P. M.

Pearsall Memorial Presbyterian church, East Wilmington, Rev. H. W. Koelling, pastor—Sabbath school at 10:30 A. M. Preaching at 11:15 A. M. Christian Endeavor prayer meeting at 7:30 P. M. Prayer meeting Wednesday at 7:30 P. M. All are invited to these services.

Harnett Street Mission, Eighth and Harnett streets, Rev. W. M. Baker, evangelist in charge—Sabbath school at 9:30 A. M. Preaching each second and fourth Sabbaths at 7:30 P. M.

Winter Park Presbyterian church, Rev. Andrew J. Howell, pastor—Services Sunday at 11 A. M. Sunday school at 3:30 P. M. Mid-week prayer meeting Wednesday evening at 7:30 o'clock. Visitors will be cordially welcomed at all times.

Delgado Presbyterian church, Rev. Andrew J. Howell, pastor—Services Sunday at 7:30 P. M., conducted by the pastor. Sunday school at 10:15 A. M. Mid-week services on Thursday evening at 7:30 o'clock. Visitors will be cordially welcomed at all services.

Immanuel Presbyterian church, corner Front and Queen streets, Rev. J. S. Crowley, pastor—Sunday services at 11 A. M. and 7:30 P. M. The public is cordially invited.

South Wilmington School House,—Services Sunday afternoon at 4:30 by Rev. J. S. Crowley.

TWO FAST GAMES AT BRIGADE

Braves Defeated The Giants 29 to 20 and Naps Routed the Cardinals 39 to 10

Two fast games of basket ball were played at the Boys' Brigade last night in the Friday Night League series, the Braves winning from the Giants by a score of 29 to 20 and the Naps routing the Cardinals 39 to 10. The games abounded in thrills and furnished much entertainment for the large crowd.

The opening game was between the Giants and Braves. On the toss the ball was tapped by Gerdes, but was immediately returned to Giant territory and caged for two points during the first minute of the game. This was soon duplicated for two more and then again for another before the Braves had secured a single point. It looked like a certain Giant victory, as the entire team was going good and playing the best ball shown by them this season. However, the Braves are always a hard proposition and they began to score, though not so frequently as the Giants, and when the half ended the Gants had 16 points and the Braves 8. The Giants felt certain of the big end of the score when the second half opened. However the Braves took a brace and on a foul they caged the ball for one point and soon after secured one from field and then another from foul before the Giants scored again. The large crowd present were rooting like mad for the Braves. McCartney then secured one for the Giants, but the Braves were not to be outdone and they managed to secure two more in quick succession and after a short time another and by dint of fast work and sensational goal shooting soon caught up with the Giants and then pased them and when the game had ended the score stood Braves 29 Giants 30. In this half the Giants were held to four points, one of which was awarded by the referee, one from foul line and one lone field goal which was secured by McCartney. The Braves secured 24 points, or more than the Giants did in the entire game, which is great work. Summary; Field: goals-Cameron 2, McCartney 3, Davis, C. W. 2, Gallagher 1, Register, H. 2, Palmgren 3, Gerdes C. 4, Foul goals—Davis C. W. 2, Register, H. 11, Awarded by refree to Giants 2.

The second game between the Naps and Cardinals was a complete route for the Carlinals, as the Naps attacked and pierced their center, destroyed their flank and took their ammunition, leaving them in distress from the beginning to the end of the game. The Naps played an exceedingly fast game in which every man did his part. The guard work of King and Montgomery was especially good, while the work of Borneman at center and Ellis and Branch at forward was effective. The work of the team was machine like and the Cardinals could not break through their opposition. In the first half the Naps secured 14 points while the best the Cardinals could do was two points on a field goal by E. Rigister. The second half was even worse as the Naps secured 20 points and the Cardinals 8, which made the total score 39 to 10 in favor of the Naps. The Cardinals did good work in all departments except goal shooting, in which they were so well guarded that scores from this source were almost nil. Summary:—Field goals—Branch 5, Ellis 5, Borneman 3, Kng 1, Montgomery 2, Register, E. 1, Irving 3, Foul goals—Ellis 1, Fergus 1, Referee, Chas. Dushan, Scorer L. T. Davis and G. Fowler. Time keeper H. L. Dixon. Time of halves 15 minutes. Standing of teams—Naps first, Braves and Giants tie for second and Cardinals last.

SALE OF REVENUE STAMPS

Charleston Postmaster Resumes Handling Stickers After Rush.

As yet there has been no arrangement in Wilmington for the sale of the documentary internal revenue stamps required by the war revenue act and many Wilmington business men are asking that their complaints be voiced through the public press. Yesterday the case of Charleston, S. C., was cited as an example that might be followed by Wilmington until permanent arrangements can be made. As in Wilmington, when the law first went into effect the stamps were placed on sale at the postoffice, but very soon the Charleston postmaster found himself involved with the Christmas rush and the sale had to be abandoned at the postoffice. Now that the rush is over, The News and Courier of yesterday says that Postmaster Poulnot has decided to again handle the stamps and they are now on sale at the Charleston postoffice, adding the following:

"Many of the people here have requested and urged the postmaster to again take action in regard to this matter. There has been considerable inconvenience caused to some of the business men here and it is largely on their account and on account of the convenience to the public in general, Mr. Poulnot declared, that he agreed to again assume charge of the sale of these special stamps. It is certain, from the numerous requests made of him, that this announcement of Mr. Poulnot's will be received with interest and satisfaction by the public."

ANSON WOOD KING DEAD

Son of Late Chas. H. King Died in New Jersey Yesterday

A telegram yesterday morning to Mr. W. A. Dick from Mrs. Mary Wood King, of Ridgefield, N. J., bore the distressing intelligence to hosts of friends in Wilmington that Mr. Anson Wood King had just died of pneumonia at his home in New Jersey after a brief illness. Friends here had not previously heard of his illness, so that the announcement of his death was a great shock to them.

Mr. King was well remembered by the earlier residents of Wilmington, being a son of the late Mr. Chas. King, so long engaged in the naval stores business here with Mr. Charles H. Robinson under the firm name of Robinson & King. His mother, Mrs. Mary Wood King, survives him, as do also his wife and two children, a son and a daughter. They have the sympathy of a host of friends in Wilmington, where Mr. King resided until his early manhood when he went north to engage in business. He was well likel by all who knew him, a noble, generous man and a most agreeable companion. The interment will be in the family burying ground near Ridgefield, N. J.,

Business Locals

Advertisements inserted under this head, One Cent per word for each insertion, but no advertisement taken for less than 25c. Additional words more than 25, One Cent per word. Unless the advertiser has a regular account, all advertisements under this head are STRICTLY CASH IN ADVANCE, the amount being too small to warrant a charge. The Star will send without charge a Western Union Messenger to any address in the city, for advertisements in this department, upon request by 'phone to No. 51. Messengers will also call for Telegrams for the Western Union Telegraph Company, or for notes or small packages to be delivered anywhere in the city. No charge for collecting the telegrams, or advertisements for the Star, but a small charge for strictly Messenger Service. Telephone subscribers may at any time telephone their telegrams and bills will be rendered to suit the sender, daily, weekly or monthly. For this service, call "Western Union," but for advertisements always call the Star office. No. 51. Locals cannot be taken over the telephone — but upon request messenger will be dispatched to any part of the city for them.

LOST—TIE CLASP WITH INITIALS "R. M." Finder will please call phone 154. ja 16-1t*

WANTED—BEST OFFER ON THREE shares Home Savings Bank stock; also have baby carriage in good condition for $10. Address "Stock" Box 311, City. ja 16-1t*

FOR SUNDAY—ORANGE, SHERRY, chocolate, vanilla ice cream. Pure sweet cream 50c quart. Fresh ground cocoanut, 15c quart. A. G. Warren Ice Cream Co., Phone 485. ja 16-1t*

ROOMS WANTED—HOUSEKEEPING rooms with all modern conveniences. Must be furnished. Prefer with back yard and stable. Address P. O. Box 658, City. ja 16-1t*

GOOD TABLE BUTTER THREE LBS. $1; five-pound bucket Simon-Pure lard 80c; compound lard 10c; York apples, 30c; seeded prunes 12½c; pound package currants 11c; phone 1938, L. T. New. ja 16-1t

IRISH POTATOES 25c PECK; AUTOcrat coffee 25c can; corn and tomatoes, 3 cans 25c; home-made apple jelly 10c glass; Phone 1938, L. T. New. ja 16-1t

NEW'S EXTRA QUALITY VINEGAR, 10c bottle; this is the highest grade of apple cider, absolutely pure. Try it. Phone 1938, L. T. New. ja 16-1t

YAM SWEET POTATOES, AS SWEET and as good as grown. Phone 1938, L. T. New. ja 16-1t

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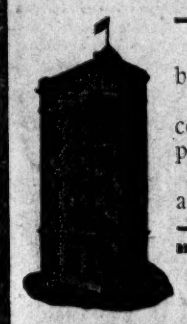

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